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TSANG FOO VILLA TRAGEDY

REPORTED REMARKABLE SEQUEL TO MURDER TRIAL.

AGES OF JURORS REQUESTED

MOVE BY THE JAPANESE CONSULATE.

[Sunday Herald Special]

A representative of the *Sunday Herald* learned yesterday that the Acting Japanese Consul in Hong Kong has written to certain persons who served on the jury in the Tsang Foo Villa murder trial, requesting that they supply particulars as to their ages, "for the purpose of completing our record."

Some of the recipients of this request have shown their letters to their friends and asked for advice as to how to act in the matter. This has led to the spreading rumours that developments arising out of the trial are pending, some going so far as to hint vaguely that the information is required by the Japanese Government for the purpose of filing a protest!

Responsibility of Youth.

As the rumours gained currency the protest story developed, and there are some who maintain that the Acting Japanese Consul's action is really directed at the fact that three of the jurors were Chinese and that they, with another, a Portuguese, were young men. The suggestion, consequently, is that the protest will take the form of objection to such young men being given the responsibility of serving on a murder trial.

All the above are, of course, rumours which, as will be shown later, have no foundation in fact, and there can be no possible doubt that the Acting Japanese Consul's request to the jurors is for the purpose as stated in the letters "of completing our records."

Wrong Procedure?

Some who discussed the matter with our reporter thought, however, that the Consulate has gone the wrong way about it by communicating direct with the jurors, and it was agreed that it is this action which has given rise to the current rumours stated above.

A point made by those who are retelling the rumours (and they claim it to be a strong one) is that if the information required by the Consulate was, in fact, merely "to complete our records," why was not the Registrar of the Supreme Court approached, instead of going to the trouble of writing to the jurors individually?

Another question is: "Were all the seven men who served on the jury communicated with, or only certain individuals who have been singled out?" It is so far known that only the three Chinese and the Portuguese juror (all young men) have received communications from the Consulate.

The *Sunday Herald* reporter also learned that the consensus of opinion of the friends of those who are known to have received these communications from the Consulate was that the Acting Japanese Consul was "out of order" to communicate with the jurors personally, and, therefore the communications should be ignored.

Registrar Approached.

One Chinese juror, however, undecided as to what to do, approached Mr. E. P. H. Lang, Deputy Registrar, in his office in the Supreme Court yesterday morning, and, producing the letter which he had received from the Consulate, repeated the opinion which had been expressed to him that the communication was "out of order," and that the Acting Japanese Consul should have applied to the Supreme Court for any information required with regard to the murder trial.

Mr. Lang is understood not to have attached much importance

to the matter, and is reported to have told the juror concerned that there was no objection to his furnishing the information required; and, with regard to the point made about applying to the Supreme Court, Mr. Lang is understood to have said that if the Consulate had done so, the Court would have communicated with the jurors, so that the result would have been the same in the end.

Law As to Age. With regard to the point made about protest on account of the youth of certain of the jurors engaged in the murder trial, it is well to point out to those who seem to attach importance to it by repeating it, that the law is that only those 21 years of age and over (up to 60) can be placed on the Jury List. Therefore, it is ridiculous to suggest that any person, let alone a Consular official, would seek to protest on the score of apparent youth.

Provided a person is 21 years of age and under 60 the law demands that he undertakes the civic duty of jury service, and to protest against "young men" serving on a murder trial would be tantamount to seeking the revision of the laws of the Colony, which is an attitude which no Consular representative of a foreign country would take. There can be no question of any one under 21 years of age serving on a local jury as the list is, it is claimed, very carefully compiled each year. Therefore the "youth" part of the current rumours can be discounted.

A Sensible Suggestion. For the rest, the rumours amount to nothing at all, and it is best for all concerned to adopt the attitude, reported to have been taken by Mr. Lang, that it would do no harm to write a few lines to the Japanese Consulate supplying the information asked for, as, after the rumours have been analysed, there really appears to be no other reason for making the request than that of "completing our records," which was given by the Acting Japanese Consul in his communications to the jurors concerned.

Of course, none of the jurors is bound to reply to the communication he has received, but, as is stated to have been pointed out by Mr. Lang, if the Japanese Consulate applied to the Supreme Court the Court would have got into touch with the jurors concerned with a view to securing the information. Therefore, it is conceivable that should any of the jurors default, the Consulate would apply to the Supreme Court and obtain the required information through it; so why not give it right away and save trouble all round? — Trouble for the Consulate to communicate with the Supreme Court; and trouble for the Court to communicate with the jurors concerned.

A Matter of Courtesy. The trouble (if regarded as such) to the jurors of supplying the information appears to be inevitable, (whether to the Consulate or to the Supreme Court) should not make any difference to a right-minded person, so the obvious thing to do is to comply with the request at the first time of asking. To take the stand of waiting until the request is made through what some may regard as the proper channel (the Supreme Court) would be petty, and the supplying of the information required would then be a matter of compulsion instead of courtesy.

UNUSUAL VOYAGE

Strange Happenings on s.s. Karmala.

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Sensational Arrest Of A Clergyman.

Passengers, who arrived from Home late on Friday afternoon by the s.s. Karmala, tell a curious story of Unusual Happenings on the voyage out. The voyage will be long remembered by them, and surely, will find a niche in the annals of the P. & O. S. N. Co.

Friday and 13th.

Those who are superstitious, no doubt, will immediately draw their own conclusions. The Karmala sailed from London on Friday, November 13. The voyage was without incident until Aden was reached, when Two Government Despatch Boxes were found mysteriously to have disappeared. The closest search was made, but the boxes were not traced.

The steamer, in due course, proceeded to and arrived at Colombo, where the Purser reported the loss from his cabin of a large sum of money about \$250 which had been deposited with him by passengers.

It is asserted that a certain steward was taken ashore at Colombo in custody and severely questioned, but he was later released. The steward, in question, is understood to be an old and experienced servant of the P. & O. S. N. Co.

Up to the time of the arrival of the steamer in Hong Kong, the money had not been recovered. Suspicion as to who the thief is, is held, but whether the theft can ever be brought home to him is a matter of conjecture. On the "Karmala's" arrival in Singapore, passengers received another shock. A certain Clerical Gentleman who had regularly conducted Services aboard on the voyage, was arrested and taken ashore on charges, it is alleged, of bigamy and fraud. It is understood this person will be sent back to England by the first available steamer.

Rough Weather. Between Singapore and Hong Kong, the Karmala encountered extremely rough weather which delayed the vessel's arrival in Hong Kong by a couple of days. Signs of Relief. It is little wonder, then, that passengers, especially those Hong Kong-bound, heaved sighs of relief on reaching the "Island of Fragrant Streams."

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CHIANG KAI-SHEK'S RETURN TO POWER.

POSITIVE UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN RUSSIA AND JAPAN.

CORRESPONDENT'S REVELATIONS

STUDENTS TAKE POSSESSION OF KUOMINTANG OFFICES.

Nanking, Yesterday.

A political sensation was caused here this evening when it became generally known that well-informed circles were forecasting the re-election of Chiang Kai-shek as Chairman of the National Government when the plenary session of the Central Executive and Central Control Committees of the Kuomintang takes place in a few days.

Much significance attaches to the fact that the forecast originated in the Cantonese camp.

To-day a joint meeting of the Nanking and Canton leaders decided to nominate Chiang Kai-shek as Chairman of the National Defence Committee which is intended to be set up for the control of the National Army.

Why Russia Acquiesced.

London, Yesterday. The existence of an understanding between Tokyo and Moscow regarding the situation in Manchuria is reported by the Daily Telegraph's Diplomatic Correspondent, who says the understanding is not purely a tacit, but a positive one.

Russia is intent on making the fullest capital possible out of what it regards as the definite occupation of South Manchuria by Japan. The Correspondent says that since the Japanese occupation will drive a wedge between China Proper and the Russian sphere of influence in North Manchuria, the Soviet considers that its hold over the Northern Railway will now be strengthened, and not weakened by the Japanese occupation of the Southern zone.

In other words, declares the Correspondent, Moscow intends that its tenancy of the Chinese area, through which runs the Chinese-Eastern Railway, will become a veritable occupation such as Japan is about to establish in South Manchuria.

He adds that this, perhaps, is the chief reason why Russia offered nothing but the most pliant protest against the present Japanese activities farther South.

Chinchow Ultimatums.

Tokyo, Yesterday. Mukden reports, received in Tokyo yesterday, to the effect that the Japanese are preparing to deliver an ultimatum to Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang to withdraw from Chinchow, are virtually confirmed in authoritative quarters.

It is understood that the Japanese Government is sending one warning to Chang Hsueh-liang through the Japanese Legation in Peking, while General Honjo will send a similar warning direct to Jung Chin, Chang Hsueh-liang's Chief of Staff. The warnings will demand a withdrawal inside the Great Wall within a stipulated time. Chinese Minister Recalled. The Chinese Minister in Tokyo, Mr. Chiang Tso-pin, proceeded to Nanking last evening in response to an urgent summons from the Chinese Government in the afternoon.

Mr. Chiang Tso-pin visited Mr. Inukai, Japanese Foreign Minister, when it is reported, they "exchanged views on certain important affairs for nearly an hour," though the nature of their conversation has not been revealed.

Students Arrest Kuomintang Members. Peking, Yesterday. At Taiyuanfu the students yesterday surrounded and attacked the provincial Kuomintang Headquarters. Pickets guarding the building opened fire, causing more than 20 casualties among the students.

The local authorities are apparently siding with the students, for they arrested four prominent members of the Kuomintang and all the pickets, and sealed up the Kuomintang offices, which are now in possession of the students.

Commission of Inquiry. Paris, Yesterday. General Claudel is to represent France on the League Commission in regard to Manchuria, according to Le Journal.

So far no British appointments to the Committee of Inquiry have been made. The idea that the three great Powers should nominate each a jurist, a soldier, and a commercial member has been abandoned. It is expected that Britain will appoint a jurist and a commercial member.—Reuter.

Nanking, Yesterday. It was learned late this evening that Chiang Kai-shek had declined the offer of re-election to the Chairmanship of the National Government, and it is understood neither Hu Han-min nor Wang Ching-wei are likely to hold the post which may go to an elder statesman as the post won't in future carry either political or military power. It is forecasted that among the appointments expected at the plenary meeting are C. C. Wu (Head Judicial Yuan), Sun Fo (Head Executive Yuan), Eugene Chen (Foreign Minister), T. V. Soong to remain as Finance Minister.—Reuter.

WAR DEBTS.

No Reduction or Cancellation.

Washington, Yesterday. The House of Representatives has approved the Hoover Moratorium Bill with an amendment declaring that the cancellation or reduction of foreign debts is against the policy of Congress.

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Rugby, Yesterday. At Washington, the House of Representatives ratified the Hoover Moratorium Plan by 319 votes to 100, after nine hours of continuous and often heated debate. The Bill contains the reservation, introduced by democratic opponents, declaring flat opposition to cancellation or revision of \$12,000,000 European war obligations to the United States. The Bill to-day goes to the Senate.—British Wireless Service.

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Let us go through the vaults guarded against the most ingenious of human minds and witness with the eyes of a reader the gold of Solomon and the gold of the Incas.

THE three men in white shirts were leading us through a succession of barred doorways, which were unlocked for our passage by sentinels who stood mutely by. Presently, in the wall of a square room that was brilliantly illuminated, we came to a different door.

It was of that familiar sort which one sees in bank cellars everywhere; an immense thing of steel and oiled bolts, time-locks behind glass faces, levers, and brass knobs.

It was rolled back upon its hinges now, but in the passageway which it would bar during the night there were two gates of grilled iron.

In each of these gates there were three locks. One by one the three men in white shirts stepped forward, and each inserted a key.

When all had done this, they stepped back to give us passage—and suddenly there we were.

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There was a long, narrow alley, and on either side of the alley there was a row of little cells. The cells were partitioned from the spectator and from each other by a coarse steel mesh, and in each the lights were burning very brightly. The locks were small.

We paused before the first cell. Its interior was constructed after the manner of a very small and compact library. Shelves were built round the walls from floor to ceiling.

The bars of gold lay on the shelves, ends, outward, in long, even rows.

They were small, hardly so large as a brick, and we could read the numbers stamped into each one, says Morris Markay, the New Yorker's special representative. A small and flimsy tag hung by a thread from the loop in the mesh. The tag said: N.Y. assay—99.9 fine. 75,455,720 dollars.

One of the guards said: "There are New York bars. They weigh about 35 pounds each, and each one is worth a little less than 8,000,000 dollars."

Another cell was filled with Kafir or Rand gold from South Africa.

In others there was gold from the Rothschild refineries. Others held bullion from which coins would be made—gold 90 per cent. fine, almost copper red, with a rich gleam. It is hard to handle that type of gold. The alloy makes it slippery.

THE gold that exists in the world remains in the world, and that which they dig to-day is simply added to that which men have been digging since time began.

Mixed in those bars was gold mined when Solomon's glory lay far ahead in an incredible future; gold snatched from the ears of crying girls by Tamerlane's captains; gold once benten into slim, lovely chains by Bonaventura, or into queer, thick amulets by some forgotten Aztec craftsman; gold that intoxicated the Conquistadores into nameless cruelties; and tiny chunks of gold that once were the price of a whole life's toil—these were inextricably fused in those bars with the gold that came yesterday out of some Colorado mine.

All, all melted together and poured into those oblong bars, it made the foundation for this scheme by which we live, and of which we are so proud.

They were telling us of the provisions for it; ninety leathernecked under an old army colonel; a wall of steel and concrete, eight feet thick; innumerable electric devices to betray a bold thief. But it seemed incredible that anyone should dare to steal it. Nobody has ever tried.

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The first door, with its multiple safety locks, appears as just a sheet of steel, painted a glistening white like the walls of the vault. But there are a few small round holes to which a handle is attached, and then a wheel, and finally a key slides home—absurdly small, it seems, for such a gigantic slab of steel—and two men haul the huge door back. This door is over two feet thick. It is made of steel that is proof against any blowpipe known.

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The opening of this door, it seems, reveals a passage, a few feet deep, and then there appears a blank wall. This wall is slightly rounded, and of solid steel and concrete, eighteen feet thick. There does not appear a crack or a chink by which an entry can be made.

But, yes!—there is a way of getting past this barrier if the secret passwords are known, far more complicated than Aladdin's "Open Sesame." This blank wall is part of the surface of a huge cylinder of concrete, faced with steel, eighteen feet in diameter.

In the passage wall another steel door bars access to an electric motor, which, if everything is normal, and the right keys are produced, revolves the massive cylinder on its pivot in a quarter-circle, disclosing a steel and concrete armour plate in the form of a gigantic rectangular "cork," as the bank officials call it. The "cork" weighs more than fourteen tons. When its bolts have been drawn, an electric trolley runs up on rails, and slowly pushes this eighteen-foot-deep wedge down the passage, leaving the way free.

Eight tons of solid steel (the first door), and fourteen tons of steel and concrete (the "cork"), had been manoeuvred, unlocked, and the long passage with its steel sides, steel floor and steel roof lies before us.

Suddenly, just as if this gigantic mechanism had been working for her sole benefit, a little old woman, clad in spotless white, dainty white bonnet on her silver hair, and a duster in her hand, appeared, apparently from nowhere. She was one of many who work deep underground keeping spotlessly clean the Palace of Gold.

I passed on through these fortress gates, and reached the shaft which takes one by lift or stairway to the outer walls of the vaults eighty feet below. This first gate was merely a sally port. Not a tremor of the distant street traffic can be heard. All the same the place is full of strange throbblings and the rhythmic hum of hidden machinery, to protect the entrance to the great underground gold chamber itself.

These doors, however, are only to be shut in time of the greatest peril, as they cannot be opened from outside, but only by the garbion, which has locked itself up with all the wealth of gold.

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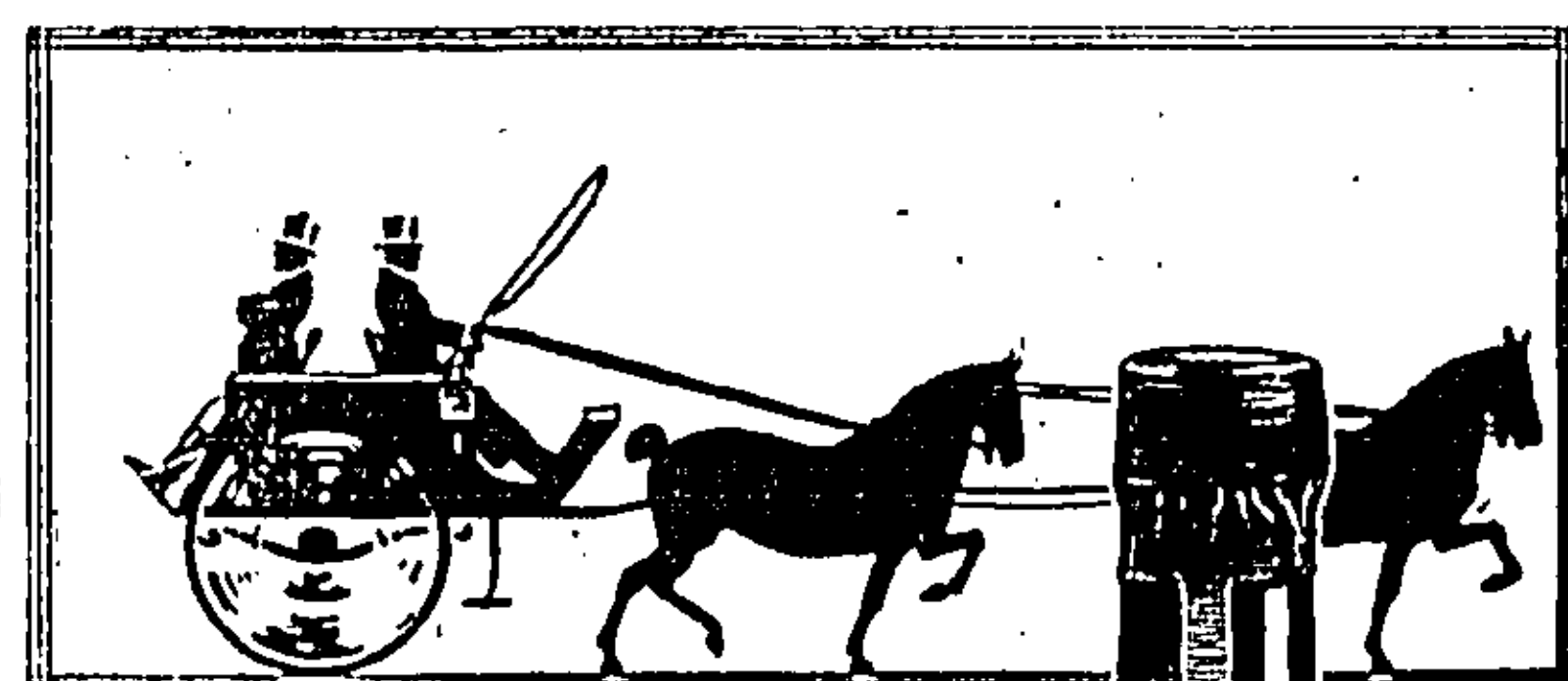


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C.S.C.C. JUNIORS UNLUCKY

Under ideal weather conditions, no fewer than six matches were played off yesterday. Of these, there were three league fixtures.

The most important match of the day was, undoubtedly, the encounter on the K.C.C. ground between the Kowloon C.C. and the Royal Artillery which concluded, contrary to expectations, in a draw.

At Happy Valley the Civil Service C.C. suffered their second defeat this season in league matches. This time it was at the hands of the H.K.C.C. The feature of the game was the "hat trick" performed by H. Owen Hughes, the Interport all-rounder. He actually took four wickets in four balls, and thus performed the first "hat trick" of the season in league matches.

The H.K.C.C. ground was the scene of a keen struggle between the Hong Kong C.C. second eleven and the Civil Service C.C. second eleven, the visitors just failing to beat the clock and thereby securing their first point in four league encounters.

League I.

OWEN HUGHES TAKES FOUR WICKETS IN 4 BALLS.

Civil Servants Defeated.

Playing at home the Civil Service C.C. suffered their second defeat of the season when they lost to the Hong Kong C.C. by 7 wickets.

Batting first the home team commenced very shakily, losing two wickets for only 8 runs. Richardson, who was in good batting form, encouraged his team immensely by playing in a confident manner to score 28 runs. After the fall of the 6th wicket, the side lost another 3 wickets without further addition. This was due to the fine bowling of Owen Hughes, who performed the "hat trick" by taking 4 wickets in succession.

In the last ball of his 4th over he took a wicket, and the first three balls in the next over gave him further success. He was pitching up very tricky good length balls which caused the batsmen any amount of uneasiness. The side was eventually dismissed for the small total of 66 runs. With this simple task before them the H.K.C.C. passed the necessary score for the loss of three wickets. E. J. R. Mitchell gave a good display in scoring 31 runs. For the C.S.C.C. Baker was seen to advantage with the ball, taking 4 wickets for 12 runs and having two catches to his credit.

Scores:—

C.S.C.C.			
J. E. Richardson, b. Owen Hughes	28	1	0
P. J. de la Haye, run out	1	0	0
P. Baker, c. Owen Hughes, b. Hughes	1	0	0
M. Wood, b. Hughes	1	0	0
J. Harrow, c. Mitchell, b. Owen Hughes	1	0	0

he was in one of his most subdued moods, hitting only six boundaries. Bryant in scoring 40 helped Musson to add 91 runs for the fourth wicket. Amongst his best hits were seven boundaries.

Had the K.C.C. accepted the gift Musson gave them before he had scored there is no telling how small the Artillery total might have been. The K.C.C. bowling looked very steady though not dangerous.

Scores:—

K.C.C.			
E. C. Fincher, b. Musson	0	0	0
F. E. Lawrence, b. Bryant	0	0	0
P. J. de la Haye, b. Bryant	0	0	0
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Total (for 9 wickets dec.) 175
Fall of the wickets:—1 for 0, 2 for 22, 3 for 42, 4 for 75, 5 for 134, 6 for 155, 7 for 165, 8 for 165, 9 for 175.

Bowling Analysis			
Musson	10	41	1
Bryant	10	41	1
Mitchell	10	41	1
Willing	10	41	1
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League II.
Within 7 Runs of Victory With Five Wickets.

C.S.C.C. Unfortunate.

At the H.K.C.C. the Civil Service C.C. drew with the Hong Kong C.C.

Scores:—

H.K.C.C.			
J. E. Richardson, b. Baker	11	1	0
P. J. de la Haye, b. Baker	11	1	0
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MUSSON AND BRYANT SAVE ARTILLERY.

A Gift Not Taken.

At the Kowloon Cricket Club the Royal Artillery drew with the K.C.C.

Consistent batting by the K.C.C. was responsible for an early declaration for 175 for 9 wickets. Bryant, who claimed 3 wickets for 51 runs, had hard luck on several occasions when snicks just eluded his slips fielders, was the most dangerous of the Artillery bowlers. F. Goodwin gave an aggressive display of batting in scoring 32 and was largely responsible for his side's commanding position.

After losing two wickets for a single the Artillery were very much indebted to Musson who remained at the crease until the drawing of stumps. In scoring 41

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

The following were the best batting and bowling performances achieved in yesterday's League and friendly matches:—

League I.

Batting.

Bowling.

League II.

Batting.

Bowling.

"FRIENDLIES."

Batting.

Bowling.

2ND DIVISION.

Batting Averages.

Bowling Averages.

WINCH SCORES 38 OUT OF TOTAL OF 94.

University Held to Draw.

At Happy Valley the University second eleven drew with the Craighengower C.C. second eleven.

Scores:—

Craighengower C.C.

University.

Batting Averages.

Bowling Averages.

2ND DIVISION.

Batting Averages.

Bowling Averages.

League Table.

C.C.C.

Kowloon C.C.

Police R.C.

Hong Kong C.C.

University

Craighengower C.C.

Artillery

H.K.C.C.

Civil Service C.C.

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JUNIOR.

CONSISTENT SCORING BY INDIAN R.C.

Alexander and Minty.

At Happy Valley the Indian R.C. drew with the Police R.C.

Scores:—

I.R.C.

Police R.C.

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CHILDREN'S SPORTS AT K.B.G.C.

The first annual Children's sports and Christmas Tree Party, organized by the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, held on the Club's premises and grounds at Austin Road yesterday afternoon, proved to be a most enjoyable function. The band of the 2nd Bn. Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders was in attendance and played pleasing numbers during the afternoon.

Owing to a regrettable illness, Mrs. Southern, wife of the Colonial Secretary, who was to have presented the prizes was unable to attend, and so Mrs. G. E. F. Thompson, wife of the President of the K.B.G.C. deputised. The Hon. Mr. W. T. Southern, C.M.G. was an interested visitor.

Addressing the gathering, the President said they had been reluctantly compelled to confine the function to members' children only owing to the limitation of the grounds which had even then been fully taken up. After thanking the ladies and gentlemen who had helped to organize and run the sports, the speaker referred to the ready response that had been shown in meeting the expenses incurred for which valued assistance they were very grateful.

The speaker said he wished on behalf of the Club, to express their thanks to Mrs. Southern for according to their request to distribute the prizes, at the same time regretting her illness and wishing her a speedy recovery.

After the prizes had been distributed, Mr. B. Wylie thanked Mrs. Thompson for presenting the prizes, and asked her to present suitable gifts to Mesdames Davidson, Rapley and Watson for kindly donating prizes and gifts for the sports.

Every child received a prize or gift from the Xmas tree of some sort.

Three hearty cheers were then given for Mrs. Thompson.

Boys' Potato Race:—1, A. Lapsley; 2, R. Lapsley; 3, G. Goodwin.

Girls' Skipping Race:—1, Margaret Lamson; 2, G. Jones; 3, E. Nicholl.

Boys' Flat Race (4-7 years):—1, F. Lapsley; 2, A. S. Fraser; 3, Robert Booth.

Girls' Flat Race (4-7 years):—1, Betty Goodwin; 2, Kathleen McTavish; 3, Joan Hale.

Boat Race (boys):—1, Bobby Nicholl; 2, M. Brown; 3, R. Lapsley.

Three-Logged Race (Girls):—1, E. Nicholl and G. Jones; 2, Joan Booth and Muriel McCaw.

Wheelbarrow Race (Boys):—1, Mac Brown and Dick Branch; 2, Edgar Packe and Bobby Nicholl.

Skipping Race (Girls):—1, Betty Goodwin; 2, Joyce Sturgeon; 3, Kathleen McTavish.

Sack Race (Boys):—1, A. D. McTavish; 2, Wilson Laid; 3, Billy Thompson.

Egg and Spoon Race (Girls):—1, Muriel McCaw; 2, Joan Booth; 3, E. Nicholl.

Three-Logged Race (Boys):—1, Dick Branch and Mac Brown; 2, Jeffrey Goodman and Anthony Lapsley.

Musical Chairs (Girls):—1, Joan Laurenson; 2, Muriel McCaw.

Tiny Tots Race (4 years and under):—1, Telford Ferguson; 2, Hanley Clarke; 3, John Laurenson.

Band Race won by Bandsman Jenkins.

INTERPORT TENNIS.

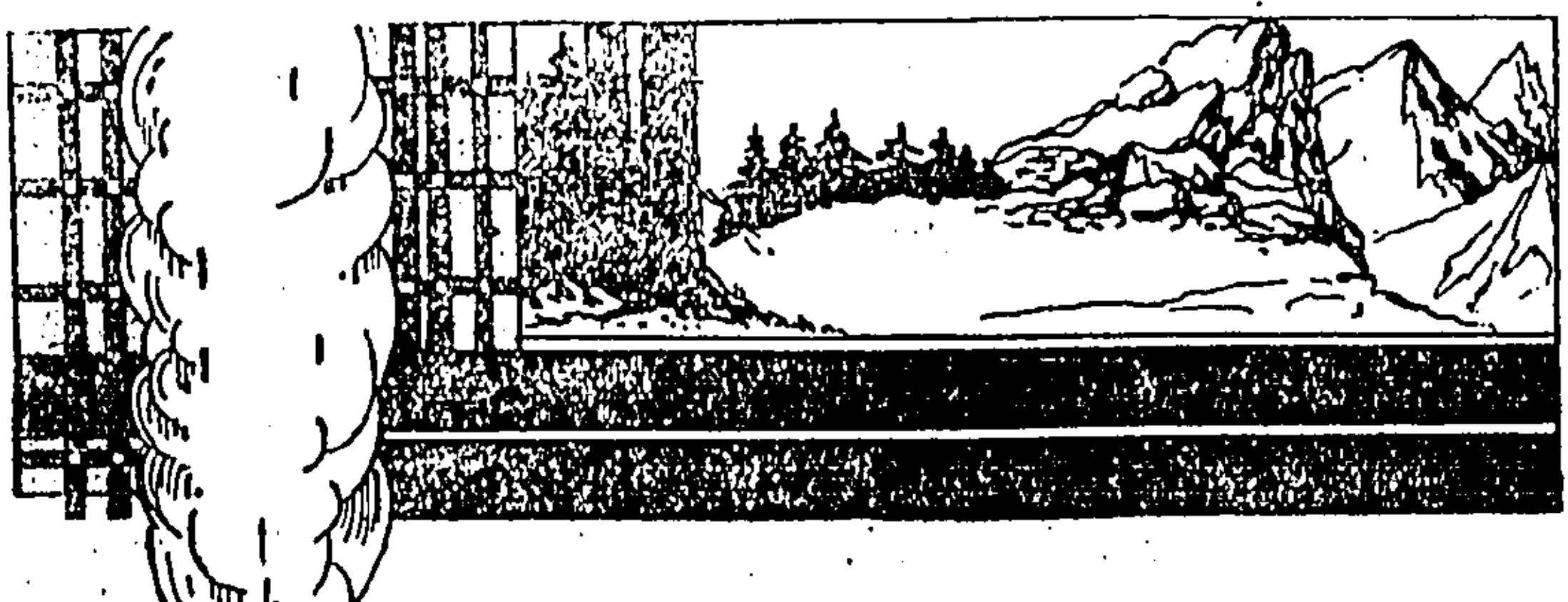
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L.T.A. EXECUTIVE MEETING.

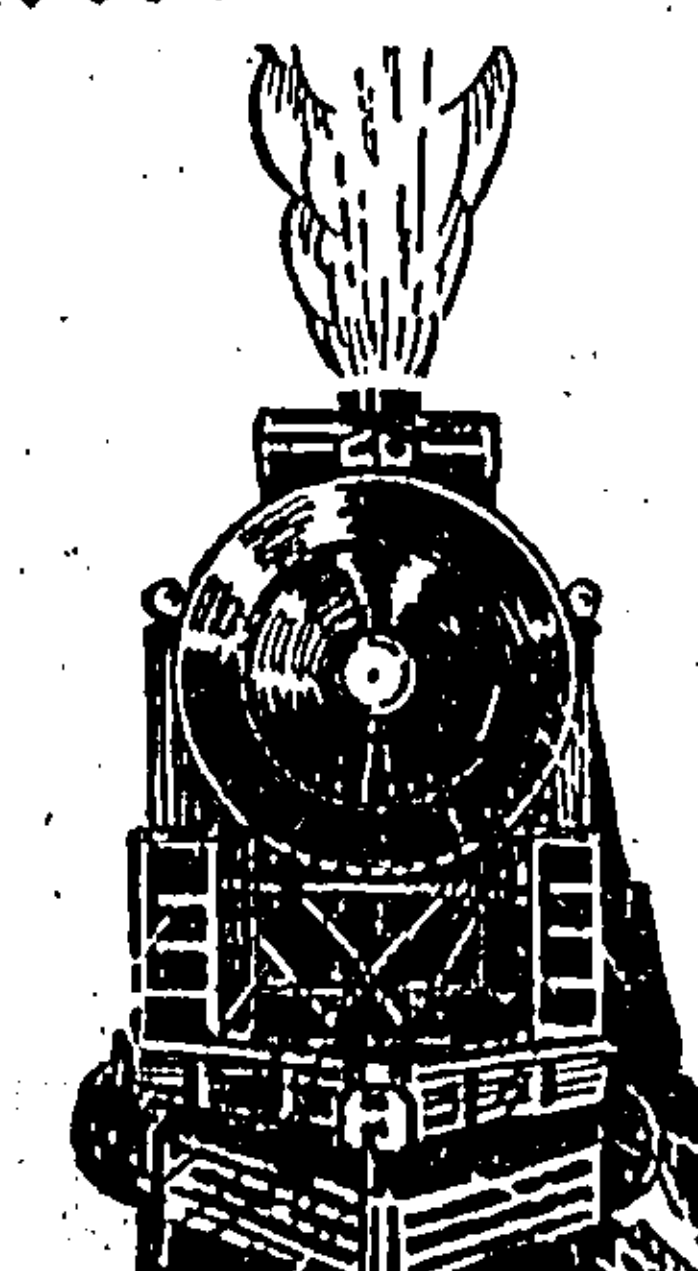
We are informed that the Hong Kong Lawn Tennis Association is considering the proposition of sending a representative team of probably five or six players to take part in the challenge matches issued by the Canton Association.

The difficulty which is at the moment confronting the executive committee is the stipulation laid down by the Canton authorities that the encounter should be played on Davis Cup lines—four singles and one doubles. This would mean to say that the side possessing the best singles players would undoubtedly triumph and is, therefore, hardly a fair test. The executive committee are holding a meeting early this week to come to some decision on the matter, Saturday and Sunday, January 16 and 17, being the proposed dates for the encounter.

We also understand that a number of the leading players have been approached regarding the trip and one and all have signified their enthusiasm by their acceptance.



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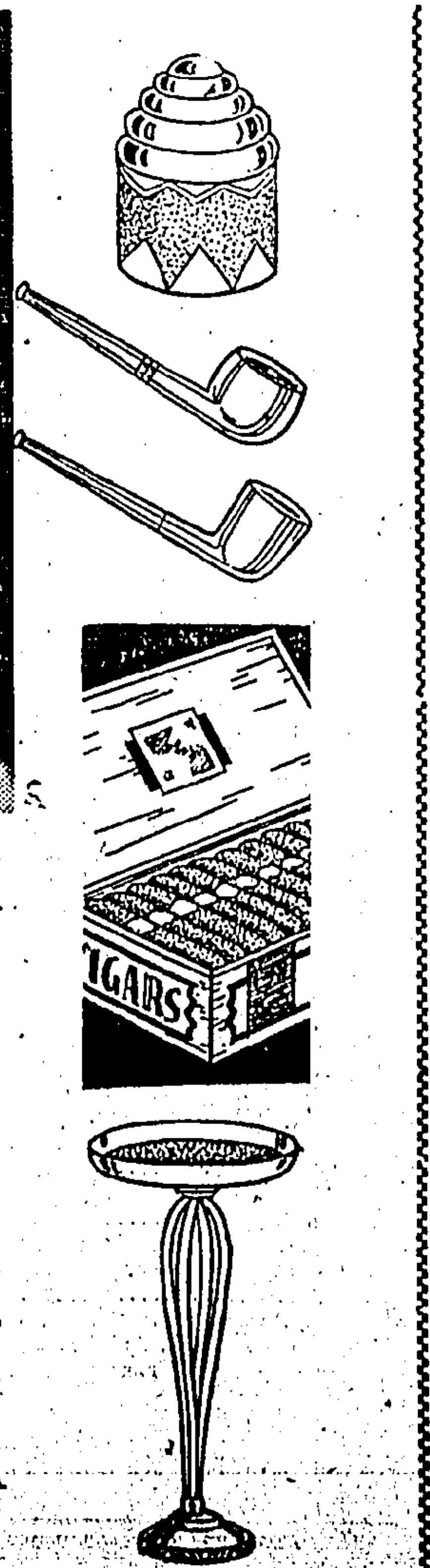
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HARRIS AND KING LEVEL

Division I.

NAVY WIN DING DONG STRUGGLE.

Borderers' Narrow Defeat.

Borderers ... 2 Navy ... 3
In a closely fought game on the Railway Ground, the Navy succeeded in obtaining the odd goal in five against their soldier opponents.

Good work by Dickenson enabled Skinner to break away and the Navy winger cut in to send in an oblique shot which gave Johnson no chance. Robertson was playing a good game at left half for the Navy and a movement by him enabled Skinner to get going again but Mullane was this time in his path to goal. Good work by Channing put the Borderers on the aggressive again but the Navy held out and Bines cleared. The Borderers then came down to equalise, when from Morgan's pass a fine run through the Navy's backs enabled Jones to meet the ball and shoot it well out of Bines' reach. The Navy were on the offensive again and Skinner made several attempts to get through, but Mullane held him well. Pretty work by Davis looked effective for the Borderers but Ward intercepted and cleared.

The Navy defence was somewhat shaky at this period when under pressure but it held out until the interval.

The Navy were on the offensive after the resumption and Shirras put Robinson away, who

cleverly got past Underwood to shoot, being only inches wide with Johnson stretched at full length. Duncan for the Borderers then made a number of attempts to get through but Dixon came across to clear. Play was transferred to the Borderers' right wing but Harris missed a couple of good chances through faulty shooting. A dull period followed before the Navy took the lead again when Dickenson scored from close in. The Borderers put on pressure and Dixon saved a certain goal when Bines misjudged the flight of the ball from Duncan's flag kick. Rush then put Robinson away and for a moment it looked as if the winger was going to score, but Johnson rushed out and saved at the expense of a corner which proved fruitless. Good work by Duncan endangered the Navy goal and after a really fine effort the Borderers' wingers cut in to score, thus bringing the Borderers on level terms again.

The Navy now went all out for the winning goal and Rawson was sent away but shot over the bar. Robinson made a fine run down the wing and sent over a well-placed centre for Rush to head into the goal giving the Navy the winning goal. Duncan was again proving dangerous and forced a corner off Ward, from which Channing sent over the bar. Close on time the Navy again attacked and Robinson ran through to shoot, the ball striking the bar to rebound to Skinner who sent in a fast drive which Johnson could only save at the expense of an unavailing corner.

Borderers:—Johnson; Mullane, Morrison; Morgan, Channing, Underwood; Harris, Davis, Jones, Podmore and Duncan.
Navy:—Bines; Ward, Dixon; Stephens, Shirras, Robertson; Robinson, Rawson, Rush, Dickenson and Skinner.

RECREIO SHARPSHOOTERS HAVE OFF DAY.

A. V. Gosano's Return.

Recreio ... 1 Kowloon ... 3
Although Kowloon deserved their win at King's Park, they may be counted lucky that the Recreio sharpshooters had an off day. A. V. Gosano made a re-appearance after a month on the sick list but was very cautious and did not play his usual trustful game. The Kowloon halves did not give him much scope, McKelvie being always in close attendance. B. Gosano was the brains of the Recreio attack. Time and again he made openings for his partners but weak finishing neutralised most of his efforts. For Kowloon Bickford played a sparkling game in the first half. McKelvie played his usual game and his bottling up of A. V. Gosano left nothing to be desired. Both goalkeepers were tested and both brought off some fine saves.

The Recreio won the toss and Kowloon kicked off with the sun in their eyes. In the first minute the Recreio broke away and a pretty piece of combination between the Gosanos resulted in B. Gosano hitting the cross bar with a great shot. A couple of minutes later A. V. Gosano sent the ball over the bar. The Kowloon defence was decidedly rattled and it was at least a quarter of an hour before they settled down to anything like football. They did eventually and then put their forwards on the attack. McKelvie was instrumental in opening the scoring. Making a clearance he sent the ball to Bickford who ran in and tipped the ball to Duncan who beat Marques with a fast ground shot. The Recreio were a man short and his absence entailed a lot of work for the two Gosanos. Between them they did their best to open up the game but with McKelvie watching A. V. Gosano and Hedley and London looking after B. Gosano their chances were small. McKelvie was again instrumental in adding to the score. He passed to Bickford who sent the ball to Gillott who had his back to the goal, but, turning, he sent the ball into the net giving Marques no chance.

The Recreio re-shuffled their forward line in the second half and Gonsalves joined the side at outside right, B. G. Gosano coming in the inside right. From the kick off they attacked and penned Kowloon in their own half. Gurevitch being called upon to defend his charge on several occasions. A breakaway by Dominy relieved pressure and Timberlake taking his centre hit the cross bar. The Recreio, however, were soon back again when B. Gosano sent his wing man down the line to centre. A. V. Gosano caught the ball and deflected it into the net and so opened the scoring for the Recreio. Over-eagerness on the part of the Kowloon defence caused them to make mistakes and their goal was again in danger when the referee ruled A. V. Gosano offside. Kowloon's third goal came from an individual effort by Dominy who ran the ball from the right wing to the left and scored with a shot which skimmed the upright.

POLICE WIN POOR GAME AT THE VALLEY.

Weak St. Joseph's Side.

Police ... 6 St. Joseph's ... 3
Delay in starting at the Valley was caused through the non-appearance on the part of several of the Saints' players and Mr. Hyder, an ex-Saints' player, was called upon to keep goal for the Saints in order that the game might be commenced. The Police were the first to attack, and several shots were raised in on the Saints' goal, which, however, did not penetrate. The Saints were dangerous on the right, All and Leonard being prominent for a dangerous raid on the Police goal, which was, however, cleared by Downman. The Police were by far the speedier team, and are long took the lead through Hudson. The Saints, however, were giving Britain and Williams a harassing time of it and by forcing a corner on Britain, managed to bring on the defender, Leonard, and

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Division I.	
St. Joseph's	3 Police
Argylls	2 Club
Navy	3 Borderers
Recreio	1 Kowloon
Division II.	
Borderers	8 Club
University	1 R.A.O.C.
Kowloon	0 12th Battery
Division III.	
St. Joseph's	1 Recreio

CHINESE FOOTBALL.

Chan Lim-pak Trophy.	
Hong Kong	0 Canton

GOAL SCORERS.

The following were the goal scorers in yesterday's League matches:—

Division I.	
Shepherd (Police)	3
Hudson (Police)	1
Pile (Police)	1
Cornwall (Police)	1
Skinner (Navy)	1
Dickenson (Navy)	1
Duncan (Borderers)	1
Jones (Borderers)	1
Leonard (St. Joseph's)	1
All (St. Joseph's)	1
Hollywood (St. Joseph's)	1
McTavish (Argylls)	1
Dolan (Kowloon)	1
Gillott (Kowloon)	1
Dominy (Kowloon)	1
A. V. Gosano (Recreio)	1
Division II.	
Sansom (R.A.O.C.)	3
Harris (Borderers)	3
Walker (R.A.)	2
Moore (R.A.)	2
Mathias (Borderers)	2
Lakeman (Borderers)	2
Morris (Borderers)	1
Jackson (R.A.O.C.)	1
Hamer (R.A.O.C.)	1
Dolan (R.A.O.C.)	1
Candah (University)	1
Gough (R.A.)	1
Division III.	
Gomes (Recreio)	2
St. Joseph's	1

LEAGUE TABLES.

Division I.		P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Goals.
Argylls	3	6	1	1	22	6	13
Navy	3	6	1	1	21	13	13
Kowloon	8	5	0	3	26	17	10
Police	7	4	1	2	17	11	9
Borderers	7	3	2	2	10	13	8
Club	7	1	2	4	18	10	4
Recreio	3	1	0	8	19	3	8
St. Joseph's	7	0	0	7	12	42	0
Division II.		P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Goals.
Argylls	9	8	0	1	27	6	10
Borderers	10	8	0	2	39	15	10
12th Battery	9	6	0	3	41	14	12
Navy	3	0	0	3	10	12	12
R.A.O.C.	9	3	0	6	23	26	6
Kowloon	9	3	0	6	20	26	6
Club	10	3	0	7	8	42	0
University	8	0	0	8	9	42	0
Division III.		P.	W.	D.	L.	Pts.	Goals.
Borderers	7	6	0	1	21	5	12
Recreio	7	6	0	1	30	8	12
R.A.F.	7	5	0	2	26	7	10
St. Joseph's	7	2	0	5	11	33	4
R.E.	7	2	0	5	21	21	4
Radio	7	0	0	7	10	47	0

LEADING MARKSMEN TO DATE.

First Division.	
Howe, Club (7)	13
Wyllie, Argylls (8)	8
Timberlake, Kowloon (7)	8
Moss, Police (7)	5
McTavish, Argylls (5)	5
Davis, Borderers (7)	5
Leonard, St. Joseph's (6)	5
Inson, Kowloon (7)	5
Hollywood, St. Joseph's (3)	4
Dickenson, Navy (4)	4
Langmead, Navy (5)	4
Harris, Borderers (7)	4
A. Gosano, Recreio (6)	4
Duncan, Kowloon (6)	4
Pile, Police (6)	4
Skinner, Navy (8)	4
Second Division.	
King (Argylls)	13
Harris (Borderers)	13
Frearson (Battery)	11
Walker (Battery)	9
More (Battery)	9
Mathias (Borderers)	8
Morris (Borderers)	8
Maxwell (Argylls)	7
Sands (R.A.O.C.)	6
Gough (Battery)	6
Sansom (R.A.O.C.)	6
Alexander (Argylls)	4
Powell (Borderers)	4
Reid (Club)	4
Candah (University)	4
Third Division.	
Guterres (Recreio)	8
Summers (R.A.F.)	8
Santos, F. (Recreio)	7
Gomes (Recreio)	7
Keamish (R.A.F.)	6
Morgan (Borderers)	6
Elms (Radio)	5
Himbury (R.E.)	4
Morgan (R.E.)	4
Sloan (R.E.)	4
Gonsalves (Recreio)	4

The figures in brackets denote the number of games in which that player has appeared this season.

The Saints then began to fall on the Police's goal. The Police made several attacks on the Saints' goal. Pile and Sheppard were the most dangerous. Sheppard gave the Police the lead after Hyder had saved a shot from Pile. Channing and Cornwall were also dangerous.

In the second half, the Saints fielded ten men, Dadd being unfit to carry on. Fernandes fell back to help the defence; thus throwing the organization of the Saints' forward line out of order. The Police had the Saints on the defensive and poor football was witnessed. The Police dilly-dallied with the ball, making it more or less a practice match for them. Channing and Downman were the only two who tried to make a game of it, but the forwards spoiled their effect by individualism. Sheppard and Pile, however, kept up their style of the first half, and it was due to them that the score mounted. Pile sent in a raking shot which Hyder failed to hold and Sheppard shot through a crowd of players. Sheppard was on the mark again shortly afterwards, flashing the ball past Hyder. The Saints broke away on the right and All reduced the score with a high dropping shot which Fraser failed to punch out. Leonard got his forwards going again, and sent All away, the winger passed back to Leonard whose shot Fraser punched out to Sousa. The latter passed it back to Hollywood, who hooked the ball into the net. The Police bucked up after this setback and after pegging away for some time, managed to increase their score through Cornwall.

Police:—Fraser, Brittain, Williams; Jessop, Channing, Downman; Moss, Hudson, Cornwall, Sheppard and Pile.

St. Joseph's:—Hyder; Dadd, Gomes; Castilho, Holden, Delgado; All, Leonard, Hollywood, Sousa and Fernandes.

Referee:—E. R. A. Anderson.

LAMONT'S SPARKLING GAME FOR ARGYLLS.

Howe Falls to Score.

Argylls ... 2 Club ... 0

The Argylls' finishing powers just about proved its worth against the Club, and they retired winners by two goals to nil. Both sets of forwards missed dozens of scoring chances, which resulted in a goalless first half. Had the Club inside men sent their passes through more accurately, perhaps the sharpshooting of Howe would have turned the scales in their favour, but Segalen, who played splendidly in obtaining the ball, failed to engineer and finish any movement good enough to draw the Argylls backs away from Howe. The Club defence was decidedly weak in spots, but the hard work of Skinner and Strange had its effect and kept the Argylls out for the majority of the game. Rodger between the posts for the Club brought off any number of smart saves, when a goal for the Argylls looked imminent. McTavish was the live wire of the Argylls' attack, his movements being carried out with much forethought. Lamont, played a sparkling game at inside left for the Argylls, and with this combination it appears that the Argylls have at last solved their inside forward problem.

McTavish, although he made the opening, was a bad shooter and missed many through faulty kicking. He, however, opened the scoring for his team in the closing half, and the other goal came as the result of a misunderstanding between MacFarlane and Rodger, when the former headed through his own goal.

Argylls:—Hastie; Blackburn, Docherty, McGlashan, Hay, Gordon; Reid, McTavish, Wyllie, Lamont and Hughes.

Club:—Rodger; MacFarlane, S. Strange, Baldwin, Skinner, Ralton; E. Strange, Bell, Howe, Segalen and Alexander.

Division II.

UNIVERSITY COMPLETELY OUTPLAYED.

University ... 1 R.A.O.C. ... 8
At Happy Valley the Ordnance gained another valuable two points at the expense of the University. The Varsity defence was very weak, their halves failing to hold the Ordnance forwards. The Corps took the lead through Sansom after a few minutes' play. The military side had the advantage of the wind in the first period, and kept the play mostly in their opponents' area. The Ordnance defence had very little to do in the first period and, by keeping well up the field, any breaking on the part of the Varsity was spoiled by off-side play. Before half time the Ordnance had increased their lead to four goals. Hansen and Jackson, sending in a couple of shots which left Lau helpless; and McCarthy's shot, Ng, unfortunately deflected into his own goal.

In the second half, the Varsity re-arranged their team but it did not in any way put the Ordnance off. They reduced the arrears, however, when Candah added with the Ordnance defence appealing for off-side. The Ordnance's attack was a fast-moving one, and Hansen and Jackson were the main movers. Hansen's shot, which was deflected into his own goal, was the only one of the kind.

and further increased through their score through Dolan. Sansom scored shortly afterwards with a beautiful drive, and Sands converted a penalty just on time.

Ordnance:—Osborne; Sands, Emory; Farquhar, Hamer, Moran; Sansom, McCarthy, Neale, Dolan, and Jackson.

Varsity:—Lau; Ng, Vargasoff; Tam, Wong, Reed; Ong, Kho, Ho, Candah, and Wu.

Referee:—Ch. Wrttr. Pooley, R.N.

ARTILLERY TRUCE IMPROVED KOWLOON ELEVEN.

Kowloon ... 0 12th Battery ... 5

Playing before their own supporters the Kowloon side went down before the Battery team to the tune of five clear goals. Although the mainland team had a much improved side on view, they were unable to stem the rush of the heavier and better balanced Artillery eleven. The Artillery had matters very much their own way in the opening half and Moore opened the scoring. Dallying in front of goal allowed many chances to go begging, but Walker added a second before the interval. In the second half the Artillery completely monopolised play and added further goals through Gough, Walker and Moore. Kowloon:—Cameron; Wells, Williams; Nichols, Caplen, Blake; Eastman, Guest, White, Cotton, and Simpson.

12th Bty.:—Hole; Frearson, Allan; Rodgers, Pardoe, Gardner; Woods, Gough, Moore, Walker, and Seal.

BORDERERS SWAMP CLUB BY EIGHT GOALS.

Borderers ... 8 Club ... 0
The Borderers were able to score with monotonous regularity against the Club and it was only the splendid display by Fogwill that kept the score below double figures.

Only once were the Club in the picture, that being just after the interval, when a raid looked a certain goal but Williams saved splendidly.

Of a splendidly combined eleven Suter at right back was outstanding, his lying well up the field enabling the Borderers to have something like seven forwards. Harris (2), Mathias and Lakeman scored

four goals before the interval whilst Harris, Mathias, Lakeman and Morris had one each in the closing half.

Borderers:—Williams; Suter, Mountford; Wallace, Bobbington, Adams; Mathias, Morris, Harris, Lakeman, and Mason.
Club:—Fogwill; Potouloff, Sloan; Hooper, Panchon, Ralton; Bradbury, Tavlin, Reid, Duncan, and Fowler.

Division III.

RECREIO'S LUCKY WIN.

Recreio ... 2 St. Joseph's ... 1
On the Club ground, a fair and evenly contested game was witnessed, with the Recreio fortunate to win. The Saints were the first to draw blood and held their lead for some time. The Recreio, however, brought off the equaliser through Gomes. In the second half play was very even, and the Recreio took the lead through Gomes. Omar nearly brought off the equaliser, but with an open goal he shot wildly.

Chan Lim-pak Cup.

HONG KONG CHINESE LOSE TO CANTON VISITORS.

H.K. Chinese ... 0 Canton Chinese ... 1
Among those present at Carowine Hill were Sir Sou-son Chow and the Hon. Mr. Croasy, Director of Public Works, the latter kicking off for Hong Kong. The game was very even, with the Canton men a shade better. Hong Kong were wild in their shooting in front of goal, Lee Wai-long shooting well over the bar with an open goal before him. The Cantonese took the lead in the first half through Li Hing-chung. The Hong Kong forwards were very dangerous, but the Cantonese played a splendid game.

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The other day she rang me up. "Come to tea," she said, "I've not seen you for ages and I've got such a good amah."

On hearing this I joyfully accepted. One never sees the same face on Norah's amahs for two successive visits. They are constantly found to be unsatisfactory. Norah is such a devoted mother.

I went. I was greeted at the door by Norah, little Patsy clasping one hand, her son, John, the other.

"Hello, my dear," I was kissed, "I am pleased to see you. One moment," she said as I opened my mouth to reply. "I'll just see if baby is still sleeping."

She bent over a mosquito netted pram on the verandah. "The lamb," she murmured, "fast as fast."

"But Norah," I queried, as she sank wearily into a chair, "the amah?"

"Impossible. Quite. I dismissed her this morning. I told her the children must be in bed by six, and she was only bathing them at quarter past. Said, 'In this weather—' Such nonsense. As if a mother doesn't know her own children best. Now Patsy, you'll swallow that."

John dear, will you help mummy carry in the tea? Oh! there's baby crying. Be a kind soul and carry in the tray. Tea's all ready, and if you would give each of the kiddies a handful of nuts while I attend to him. You'll find them on the dining-room sideboard."

Two chubby children pressing eagerly on either side of me, we brought in the tea, then went in search of the nuts. After a peaceful interval.

"I've got ten," announced John.

"Six, seven, eight," and Patsy. She looked up at me in surprised indignation.

"I've only got eight," she quavered.

"Never mind," I consoled. "John will give you one of his, then you'll both have nine."

"But it'll still be John's," she insisted, "even when I've eaten it."

"Well," I suggested, "then mummy can have one of John's nuts, and I'll have one and there'll be eight left for each of you."

Her lip quivered with tragedy. "And I won't have any to give," she wailed, "or if I do there'll be much less left."

"Come on," I said hastily, "we'll get two more nuts for you, then you'll both have ten."

This delicate matter satisfactorily adjusted, the silence was only broken by munching and comments on the comparative size of individual nuts.

"Baby wanted water," said Norah, as she came in. "Goodness me, the tea's been standing for ages. It's vilely strong and ice cold. I'll make some more."

"Please don't," I protested. "I like my tea cold."

"Sure?" she asked, relieved, and began to pour.

"Such a lot to ask and tell," she said. "I've not seen you for ages. Did you enjoy the ball? John, darling, it looks lovely on the lawn. You take Patsy out and play on it."

"Don't want to."

"But, dear! Children mustn't stay indoors in the afternoon, and soon it will be bedtime."

The children considered the out of doors for a moment. Then—"Don't want to," echoed Patsy.

"I could bear no more."

"Out you go," said I, shooing them like poultry. "Quick!"

They looked at me in momentary astonishment—and went.

"You manage children wonderfully," sighed Norah. "I've got such a headache, and I must tell the cook boy about a pudding for dinner."

"Let your big husband go without sweets for once."

"But he likes them so."

"Very well, then. You go and rest, and I'll arrange the pudding."

"Would you? What a treasure you are. I know I'll feel better for a rest, and some aspirin, before tackling the children's baths."

"Anything off the list?"

"Oh, no. Such an easy man to feed. He eats anything."

For half an hour real peace prevailed.

"Norah," I called. "I must go."

"Finished? Thank you so much. What sort did you tell the cook to make?"

"Rice."

"Rice?" Oh, dear! It's the one pudding he dislikes. He really eats anything, except, of course, rice and pumpkin and tripe, and, naturally, any made-over dishes."



SUNDAY SALLIES.



A practical form of thanksgiving is job giving.

After last week's exhibition Sitting Bull is sitting in the corner.

Jewellery stolen recently from an American actress was valued at one and a half columns in the Press.

The title "first man who ever flew" is being claimed for a priest.—Is it based on his being a Sky Pilot?

A reader says that after last New Year's Eve Ball, he spent the night in a sheet iron shed.—He must have felt canned.

Actors seem to be the only persons in the world qualified to answer the question: "Which came first, the bird or the egg?"

"Scratch Rugby," was a headline in a newspaper recently.—'Twas to be expected with so many "points" being awarded for this, that, and the other.

A traveller says that the streets of Tangier are so narrow that it is impossible to have a piano brought to a house.—Alas! This cannot be said of Kowloon!

An American bridegroom arrived late for the wedding ceremony, slipped on the steps of the registry office, sprained his wrist and fainted three times.—It was no good. The ceremony proceeded.

Oil does not seem to calm the troubled waters of the oil problem.

Book publishers report a marked upturn in business.—Paging good times!

On the road back to prosperity, let's help to make our by-roads buy-streets.

In spite of efforts to find a substitute, elbow grease is still the oil of industry.

"Cheaper Talkies," runs a headline.—Some of them couldn't be cheaper if they tried.

The difficulty seems to lie in the fact that all nations are too anxious to disarm—the other nations.

If starting at the bottom means anything, now is the time for one to get a job in the stock market.

With the advent of television, it is to be hoped that we shall not see so much advertising as we now hear.

Another sign of a business upturn is the increasing criticism being directed at many ill-considered economic "cures."

Instead of criticizing the "younger generation," why not set them an example?—Children usually try to imitate their elders.

A German professor says wireless is an instrument of peace.—He should come and hear our neighbour's set.

A writer says that fighting is all right provided you do it intelligently.—True, but you can't always find a smaller man.

Perhaps the old adage, "Two can live as cheaply as one," means that father and mother can live as cheaply as daughter.

A correspondent says that he has just finished a story about a Greek maiden who sat and listened to a lyre all night.—Modern love-making is just the same.

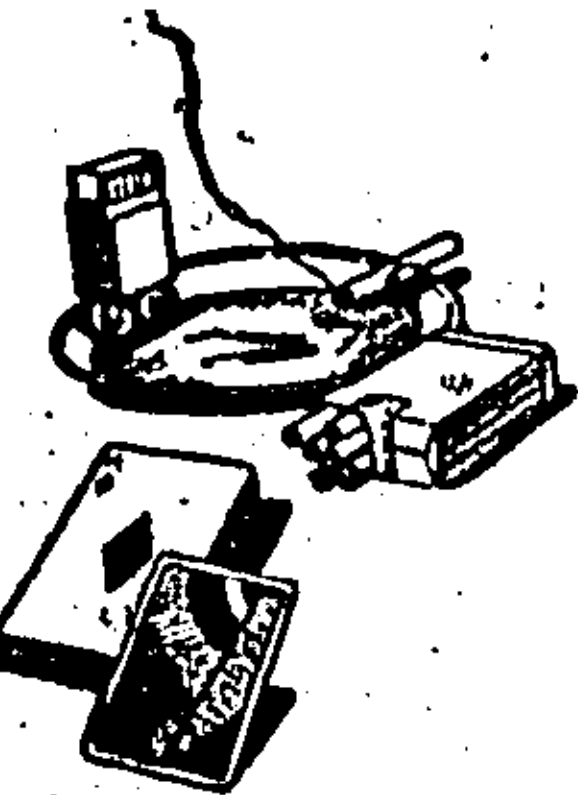
Because his girl did not marry him a man has not spoken for years.—Does he think he would have had any chance of speaking if she had married him?

Double rainbows are often enough seen in Bangkok, but on the morning of November 24, a perfect treble one was seen for a few minutes.—They must sell powerful stuff up there.

Although, due to the use of machinery, one person can to-day produce as much yarn as 40,000 could 150 years ago by hand, it still takes as long to "spin a yarn" as it ever did.

THE ULTIMATUM

by "N.W."



knell, and then once more the even ticking continued.

One of the four men sitting at a table in the centre of the room glanced at the flickering fire and shivered. Two of his companions were gazing at the fourth man with anxious expressions upon their faces. The fourth was impervious to either the angry elements, the cold or the anxious contemplation of his friends (or were they foes?). On his rugged visage was the look of a man who is about to purchase a parcel of shares against the advice of his broker.

Three pairs of eyes watched him, their minds occupied with the one thought: Would he ever speak?

The clock ticked serenely on; outside there was a lull in the rain and the stillness was becoming unbearable. Two minutes passed and

a third, and still the sphinx-like person at the end of the table remained motionless, save for a nervous tapping of his hand. What thoughts were going on behind that vacant mask? What secret was he going to divulge that three men should hang upon his words as though he were an oracle.

Another two minutes passed. His vis-a-vis could bear it no longer. "For heaven's sake, man, speak!" he cried, while the man on either side of him started at the sudden outburst.

"I—er—just can't decide," murmured the object of his wrath, not raising his eyes. Then, pulling himself together and looking coldly at him, who had interrupted his thoughts, he issued his ultimatum. "Four no trumps and I hope you have a decent hand to pull me through!"

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THE TRIANGULAR RUGBY TOURNAMENT

ROYAL NAVY GAIN WELL DESERVED VICTORY.

[By "Touch Judge"]

The second match in the Triangular Tournament was decided at the Valley yesterday afternoon when the Club were opposed to the Navy.

A large and distinguished gathering of spectators witnessed a good hard game in which the Navy defeated the Club by two tries, and a penalty goal (9 points) to a goal (6 points).

Among those present were H.E. the Governor, Sir William Peel and party, Sir Wm. A. H. Kelly and party, and Major General J. W. Sandilands and party.

The Club showed no changes in their team as advertised, but the Navy were without their versatile scrum half, Lieut. Francis, his place being taken by Sub-Lieut. Hargreave, while Mid. Thurston filled Hargreave's place at centre three-quarter.

Fully Deserved. The Navy fully deserved their win and a great share of the honours must go to their forwards who were superior to the Club eight, both in the tight and the loose.

The Club were fortunate in reaching half-time with only one try recorded against them as on the run of play the Navy fully deserved further points.

From the kick-off the Club attacked and Selby gained ground with a useful kick to touch. A Navy forward rush relieved matters and play was carried into Club territory.

From a scrum near the Club line Jenkins fumbled his pass from Selby and Thurston being up snatched the ball to open the scoring for the Navy, truly an opportunist's try, Doggett's kick at goal failed.

Navy Pack Heavier. The Navy forwards proved to be a much heavier pack and the Club eight were having an anxious time. Selby behind a beaten pack was not at all comfortable, yet he did some useful work and when he did get the ball gave his three-quarters every opportunity. Jenkins was playing a sound game and combined, on the whole, very well with Selby, but the marking of the Navy left little time for accurate passing with the result that there were times when the Club halves found they were hard pressed.

The Club put up a stout defence to the Navy attack and were forced to touch down on several occasions. A promising movement by Fabrey looked like another score for the Navy, but kicking too hard ahead lost further points. The Navy were all out for another score and their three-quarters attacked time and again but bad handling and a stout defence by the Club kept them out. Jenkins returned with a fine kick which found touch at the centre line.

Griffiths Injured. Shortly after this Griffiths was injured and for the rest of the game was of little use in attack. Lammert went inside to centre three-quarter and Griffiths went on the wing. Thus handicapped the Club were again forced to defend and Crick and Watson were prominent in a forward rush to the Club line. From the scrum that followed, the unexpected happened, Robertson intercepted and got well away but no one was up to take his pass, when confronted by Goelling, and a likely movement petered out.

The Club forwards led by McElney carried play into the Navy 25, and from a scrum Selby put his three on the move, and Lammert was nearly over, but was bundled into touch. This was only a temporary stay in Navy territory and play was reversed to the Club line where Whitham found difficulty in fielding a kick, the ball rolling into touch at the corner flag. Ryder was prominent with a clever brush through and through kicking ahead an unlucky bounce prevented him from scoring, the ball rolling out of play.

Peers Retires. Continuing the attack the Navy were awarded a penalty but Doggett's kick was well off the mark. Goelling was kicking well and finding touch on practically every occasion. At this stage Peers received a leg injury which later forced him to retire. Thus weakened, the Club still put up a stout defence, and prevented the Navy from adding to their score. On one occasion Fielding got over for what looked a good score but it was disallowed owing to an infringement.

After the interval the Navy were still on top, but they lacked the necessary finish to add to their score. Selby saved his forwards with good touch kicking.

A good bout of passing by the Club three-quarters saw Lammert gain possession and running strongly he scored one of his spectacular tries. McLellan converted from an easy position in front of the posts.

Drop At Goal Fails. This reverse to the Navy lived on all night for the Club line. Whitham failed to gather the ball and it was touch and go until McElney cleared. Lockley then tied a drop at goal but it was charged down. Further pressure forced the Club to touch down and from the drop out Fielding gathered and sent the Navy three-quarters away but Fabrey was tackled and Goelling tried a drop at goal when near the corner.

The Club forwards relieved the pressure and Law gained ground with a useful kick to touch. Crick led his forwards in good style to regain the lost ground, and Ryder was nearly in when he broke through.

A free kick against the Club close to the line but at a difficult angle placed the Navy in a position to take the lead and play was successful in kicking a good goal, the ball bouncing on the cross-bar and falling on the right side to secure the points.

Not satisfied with this slender lead the Navy were out for securing their position and Lockley, gathering the ball from a kick, dashed over to score in the corner; no goal resulted.

Result:—

Navy 9 points

Club 5 points

Navy:—Lt. Goelling; Sub-Lt. Lockley, Surg.-Lt. Fielding, Mid. Thurston, O.A. Fabrey; Lt. Ryder, Sub-Lt. Hargreave; Lt. Comdr. Crick (captain), Lt. Broonan, Lt. Linton, A.B. Deykin, E.R.A. Doggett, Lt. Hubback, Lt. Watson, and Lt. Pizey.

Club:—J. P. Whitham; G. P. Lammert, R. H. Griffiths, L. G. Robertson, C. J. D. Law; C.A. Jenkins; J. A. R. Selby; F. R. Burch, J. H. McElney, E. R. West, G. C. Moutrie, F. M. Hartley, W. E. Peers, G. C. Humphreys, and D. McLellan.

Referee:—Capt. P. Gottwaltz (S.W.L.).

KOWLOON SHOW BIG IMPROVEMENT.

At King's Park yesterday the Kowloon Rugby Club gained a long awaited victory when they defeated H.M.S. Hermes by two goals and a try (13 pts.) to a penalty goal (3 pts.).

Though playing a forward short for the greater part of the game, Kowloon won comfortably. J. Riddell, one of the best men in the field, was forced to leave the field shortly after the commencement owing to an attack of illness. In spite of this reverse the Kowloon forwards were superior and played a greatly improved game. Their bustling tactics in the loose gained valuable ground on every occasion and in the line outs they held a definite superiority.

The Kowloon three-quarters handled with greater security, but seemed unable to make much ground in the first half. Keith, Murray and Ferguson were outstanding. Easterbrook at full back handled confidently, and appeared safer than in former matches.

Crozier and Kilby working well behind the scrum, made the most of Kowloon's improved scrumming and opened up many promising movements.

The Hermes played a plucky game though handicapped by the loss of some of their best players who were playing for the Navy in the Triangular Tournament at Happy Valley.

Kowloon's first points came from Ferguson, who made a magnificent run down the line to score between the posts. Cogan converted. Shortly after Kowloon were penalised and from the resultant free kick, the Hermes gained three points, their first and only score in the game.

In the second half, Whitley got over for Kowloon, after a nice movement started by Kilby. His effort was not, however, improved upon.

Keith-Murray and Kilby figured in a pretty bout of passing which resulted in the former touching down near the flag. Cogan's kick at goal hit the post, but fell the right side.

Result:—

Kowloon 13 points

H.M.S. Hermes 3 points

THE TEST MATCH.

Don Bradman Does Not Disappoint.

DIG PARTNERSHIP WITH RIGG.

Sydney, Yesterday. Australia fully consolidated their position to-day when at the close of play they held a lead of 291 runs with three wickets in hand.

The South Africans after having given a poor display of batting against the wiles of Grimmett were given a day's leather hunting with a vengeance. At the luncheon interval they had dismissed Woodfull, but Rigg was offering great resistance and the sides adjourned with the score at 163 for two wickets.

Close of play scores as cable by Reuter were as follow:—

Scores:—

South Africa—1st Innings.

B. Mitchell, b McCabe 1

J. A. J. Christy, c Nitschke, b Grimmett 14

D. P. B. Morkel, st. Oldfield, b Grimmett 20

H. W. Taylor, c Lee, b Grimmett 7

H. B. Cameron, b Wall 11

E. L. Dalton, b Grimmett 21

K. Viljoen, b Ironmonger 37

C. L. Vincent, not out 31

E. L. Brown, b McCabe 2

N. A. Quinn, l.b.w., b McCabe 5

A. J. Bell, b McCabe 0

Extras 4

Total 153

Bowling Analysis.

Wall 18 3 46 1

McCabe 12 6 13 4

Grimmett 24 12 28 4

Ironmonger 12 1 38 1

Lee 7 1 24 0

Australia—1st Innings.

W. M. Woodfull, c Mitchell, b Vincent 58

W. H. Ponsford, b Quinn 5

K. Rigg, b Bell 127

D. G. Bradman, c Viljoen, b Morkel 112

S. McCabe, c Christy, b Vincent 79

K. Nitschke, b Bell 47

J. Lee, c Cameron, b Brown 0

W. A. Oldfield, not out 4

Extras 12

Total (for 7 wks.) 444

TENNIS SURPRISE.

L. Goldman and Mrs. Lochner Triumphant.

M. W. LO & ENID LO BEATEN.

The semi-finals of the Open Mixed Doubles Championship, organised by the Chinese Recreation Club, were decided on the C.R.C. courts yesterday afternoon with the following results:—

L. Goldman and Mrs. Lochner beat M. W. Lo and Miss Enid

Lo 6-4, 6-1.

M. K. Lo and Mrs. James beat H. D. Rumjahn and Miss Rumjahn 6-4, 6-3.

The final will be played on the C.R.C. courts, Causeway Bay, this afternoon at 3.30 p.m.

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SPORTS DIARY

TO-DAY'S ACTIVITIES

Hockey

Mamak Shield Matches.

R.A.S.C. v. C.B.A. at King's Park at 10.45 a.m.

Incognitos v. Police on R.A. ground at 11 a.m.

Cricket

Indian R.C. v. Volunteers at Sookunpoo.

Football

Civil Hospital v. University (Charity Match) at Happy Valley at 4 p.m.

Chinese Athletic v. Canton Chinese at Caroline Hill at 5 p.m.

Lawn Tennis

Open Mixed Doubles Final on C.R.C. courts at 3.30 p.m.—L. Goldman and Mrs. Lochner v. M. K. Lo and Mrs. James.

Golf

Royal Hong Kong Golf Club Championship—O. E. C. Marton v. I. W. Shawan at 9.30 a.m.; Bogey Pool.

Kowloon Golf Club annual gymkhana and presentation of prizes at 2.30 p.m.

Steplechasing

Fanling Hunt and Race Club Meeting at Kwant.

Weight Lifting

Mauricio College Exhibitions at Caroline Hill at 2 p.m.

YACHTING.

Result of Menagerie Race.

WIN FOR DAPHNE.

The Menagerie race sailed by members of the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday resulted in a win for Daphne, Siskin being second, and Rollie third.

Course:—(1) Lyemum Beacon, P.; (2) Rumsey Shoal, P.; (3) Channel Rocks, P.

Distance: 8.46 miles.

Daphne (Col. Stokes) Position

Siskin (Mr. A. V. Harvey) 2

Rollie (Mr. A. Rollin) 3

Norena (Mr. J. R. L. Stanton) 4

Diana (Major Bingham) 5

Colleen (Mr. C. Olland) 6

Lola (Mr. Grieve) 7

Eunice (Mrs. Rose) 8

Allan (Capt. Lochner) 9

Joan (Mr. R. Jack) 10

Adams (Mid. Daniels) 11

Wings (Capt. Rose) 12

Falcon (Mr. Cooke) 13

Why Wonder? (Capt. Fowler) D.N.F.

Speedwell (Major Stewart) D.N.F.

Wendy (Mr. L. De Ville) D.N.F.

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FOOTBALL DISPUTE.

Refusal to Allow the Services to Play.

ASSOCIATION'S DENIAL.

There is no confirmation for the rumour concerning the refusal of the Hong Kong Football Association to sanction the match that the Chinese Combined Services (Canton) attempted to arrange with the United Services (Hong Kong).

Dame rumour has had her fling throughout this warlike football dispute and it is time she received a check. The Chinese Combined Services eleven, comprised of Army, Navy, Air Force and Police players, is said to have sent a letter to the United Services authorities in Hong Kong requesting a fixture with their representative eleven. This request is said to have been refused and a letter to this effect sent to the Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation.

No reasons are said to be given for the refusal though it was understood that the Hong Kong Football Association were not favourably inclined towards the match which was to have been played on a Sunday. Another letter, it is said, is to be sent to the United Services desiring their eleven to visit Canton and then possibly to arrange a match in Hong Kong.

On enquiring of a high official of the Hong Kong Football Association last night I was informed that as far as he was concerned he was entirely ignorant of such a match being arranged, so that rumour has reached such a point that it becomes an object of ridicule.

FOOTBALLERS DINE.

Chinese Federation as Hosts.

The Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation were the hosts at a dinner held last evening in the lounge of Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, Exchange Building, when the Combined Canton football team composed of Army, Navy, Air Force and Police players, were the guests.

After the dinner, the Chairman of the H.K.C.A.A.F. congratulated the visitors on winning the match against the combined Hong Kong Chinese team on their second visit. He said that the game was an excellent one, and the Canton team showed great determination and played with remarkable skill, fully deserving their victory. The game arranged between the two cities, he added, was an opportunity for training and led toward an improvement of the game.

The Chairman presented three trophies to the visitors, as a souvenir of their success in the last game played.

THRILLING BOXING FOR NEXT WEDNESDAY

(By "Ringsider.")

Special to the Sunday Herald.

The programme for the second boxing tournament of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, to be held in the Theatre Royal on Wednesday night was published last week, and it is a matter of popular satisfaction that "Stinnie" Morris of H.M.S. Suffolk and A. B. Warnes of H.M.S. Hermes have been matched again for the Welterweight Championship of the Colony and H.E. the Governor's Belt.

By his good scrap with Morris on November 28 and his subsequent showing in the China Fleet Championships, winning the final of the Welterweight class, Warnes showed that he is a boxer of some class, and fully deserves another tilt at the Championship of the Colony.

A Misprint.

One matter that has caused some comment is the fact that in the newspaper advertisements and the posters of the forthcoming scrap Morris is billed as ex-Welter and Middleweight Champion of the Colony, and this has given rise to the question "Did he win the Welterweight Championship in November or not?"

The answer is, of course, that there can be no doubt about it because he was declared the winner of the encounter with Warnes and Sir William Peel fastened the Belt around his waist in the ring. The only explanation for the "ex" appearing in the advertisements and posters is that it is a misprint.

Another matter which some are inclined to grouse about is that the contestants in one of the bouts in Wednesday's programme are shipmates—A. B. Clarke and A. E. Thomas of H.M.S. Suffolk, and the impression is that when you get shipmates up against each other they won't try and the bout can be regarded as a petting party instead of a scrap. This may be true of most such encounters, but it certainly is not the case with Clarke and Thomas, whose match has been arranged by the H.K.B.A. in the nature of a "needle fight."

They Must Decide. These two boys have been keen rivals for a long time and with only sparse together on board have never been able to satisfy themselves as to who is the better man. Their only official encounter was in the recent Fleet Championship when they met in the first round of the featherweights. Thomas was given the decision, but it was such a close affair that the boys' rivalry was increased, hence the arranging of the encounter for Wednesday night to give them a chance of arriving at a definite conclusion.

Wednesday night's programme is a most attractive one and barring accidents all the fights promise to be good ones. Of the twelve boxers who have been signed on for the six bouts, no fewer than four of them (three welters and one heavy) are of championship class.

They are:—

Morris, who is Welterweight Champion of the Colony, 1931, and Middleweight Champion of the China Fleet, 1931;

Warnes, who is Welterweight Champion of the China Fleet, 1931, Welterweight Champion of the Royal Navy, 1930, I.S.B.A. Welterweight Champion, 1930, and runner-up in the Amateur Championship of England, 1930;

Leading Seaman Davies (H.M.S. Hermes), who was Welterweight Champion of the Mediterranean and Atlantic Fleets, 1922; and created a sensation by knocking "Jack" Begbie down twice in the Fleet Championships; and

A. B. Judge (H.M.S. Cornwall), who was Heavyweight Champion of the Atlantic Fleet, 1929; and Heavyweight Champion of the Royal Navy, 1930. He figured in this month's Fleet Championships here and in the last tournament of the H.K.B.A. he knocked out in the sixth round Stoker Roberts of H.M.S. Barryclough who was Light

Heavyweight Champion of the Mediterranean Fleet, 1930.

Of the other fighters on the programme, two are newcomers—A. B. Long (H.M.S. Kent) who will be Judge's opponent, and A. B. Waterhouse (H.M.S. Cumberland) who will oppose Stoker Harry (H.M.S. Kent) in a six-round Welterweight bout. They are both spoken highly of and may be expected to give good accounts of themselves.

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HONGKONG LADIES' PLAY LIKE CHAMPIONS

ST. ANDREW'S DISAPPOINT IN THE CAER CLARK CUP.

[By "Sticks"]

Playing their second match in the Caer Clark Cup Hockey competition on the Sookunpoo ground yesterday afternoon, the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Club defeated the Central British Association Ladies' by four goals to one, thus repeating their performance against the St. Andrew's Club Ladies. From the commencement victory for the Hong Kong Ladies was inevitable, for they were far superior to their opponents in both attack and defence.

Hong Kong made one change, A. G. Orme's place on the left wing being filled by E. Blackburn, who played a splendid game.

Fielding their strongest XI possible, Hong Kong were early on the offensive, and E. Bonnar shot past D. Tittle, but the goal was disallowed as it was hit from outside the circle. The C.B.A. were forced to play on the defensive for a long spell until their forwards made a spirited rush, but B. Walker spoiled a dangerous movement by being off-side.

The C.B.A.'s defence appeared to be weakening, and Hong Kong maintained pressure, A. Fowler being forced time and again to concede corners in attempts to clear. In their second attack on Hong Kong's goal, D. Hunt had the misfortune to kick the ball, thus giving a free hit to Hong Kong. B. Walker, the C.B.A.'s centre-forward, was slow and was robbed repeatedly by J. Smalley, who with E. M. Gray, were both clearing well. In the C.B.A.'s half-back line, D. Pinguet gave a creditable display. A Hong Kong attack saw a shot from E. Bonnar saved by D. Tittle, but from the rebound, M. A. Jones shot into an empty goal to give Hong Kong the lead which they kept up to the interval.

The second half opened with more even exchanges, but within fifteen minutes, E. Blackburn, as the result of a magnificent solo effort from midfield, increased Hong Kong's lead. On several occasions Hong Kong's movements were spoiled by off-side play. The C.B.A. came again and again with determined attacks on the Hong Kong goal, but without success.

Hong Kong forced many corners, and from one of these M. A. Jones scored Hong Kong's third goal, after which they maintained strong pressure, but E. Booth was playing a solid game.

THE HAWK OF COMO

by
JOHN OXENHAM.

Author of "Barbe of Grand Bayou,"
"The Hidden Yanga,"
"My Lady of the Moor," &c., &c.
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GIAN GIACOMO is in love with DOMENICA, who is to be given in marriage to an influential Count. Together with GOLIATH, his companion in exile on an island in Lake Como, he sets about winning the towns on the lake back from the French who are occupying them. Terrible battles follow, victory resting with Gian and Goliath. The latter kills a Frenchman in an inn and discovers plans for the next French campaign. Gian takes Milan and later was appointed Castellan of Musso.

PAOLO and GABRIO are twin brothers. The former is in love with GINEVRA, who shows her preference for Paolo.

CHAPTER XVIII.

FOR a short spell — as once before, by reason of the coming of a child — there was peace on the lake and all the lands that bordered it. The Master-mind had but one concern, and that was the son whose birth was imminent and of whose future his thoughts were full.

The minds of Ghiberto Borromeo and Paolo were similarly full of hopeful anxiety on their own account. Margherita's son came first, while she and Ghiberto were paying a visit to his people at Arona on Maggiore, and Gian hailed him as a good omen. He lived to be canonized under the name of San Carlo Borromeo, and you may see his tomb in Milan Cathedral any day you choose.

Ginevra's boy was born a week later. His advent also was hailed by Gian as a confirmation of his own hopes.

That he, of all the three, should be saddled with an unwanted girl was not to be thought of. It would not bear thinking of. . . . Not for a moment would he admit the possibility of such a misfortune. Ginevra's boy lived to become that very great painter, Paolo Baldinello Baldinelli.

Domenica suffered from fits of depression at times. She rejoiced quietly in the good fortune of the other two happy young mothers, but she dreaded the disappointment of her little hand in his was as cold as his heart. Then he got up, kissed the beautiful cold face — more beautiful now than ever he had seen it, and went out. And his own face was lined and worn as it remained to the day of his death.

He climbed heavily, on and up, amid his frowning bastions and menacing guns — the outward and visible signs of the power he had craved and won. And it was all less than nothing to him — dust and ashes — dust and ashes.

He flung himself face down in the nook he had carved in the breast of the rock for himself and Domenica, and there he lay like one dead. And, indeed, part of him died that day. All day he lay there and no man ventured to go near him. They understood.

And his face grew graver and more anxious with every day that passed, for Domenica was past her time, and he began to fear what it might portend.

Then the end came — swift and sudden and complete. As the cyclone brings down with a crash the pride of the forest, so, at a stroke, all Gian's hopes were brought to naught.

To him, in his eager-beast tramp on the battlements, came old Caterina running, with an anxious face.

Domenica was in the throes. He hastened to her. But the sound and sight of his loved one's agonies were too much for him. Paolo and Caterina hustled him out of the room, and he went back to his battle-memories, rent with fears. For it seemed to him that so frail a thing as a woman could never endure such suffering and live.

At times he stood rooted, listening. Then to his heart-heavy tramping again.

Would they never come? It seemed an eternity. . . . What were they doing in there? The placid beauties of Lake and mountain, all radiant in the sunshine, mocked him. He stared at them unseeing.

Domenica and the boy! . . . Nothing else in heaven or earth concerned him. . . . Domenica and the boy!

Then, at endless length, came Caterina again, grey-faced and stricken, broken and shaking. "Dio! Dio! Dio! she gasped. "Come! She is going!"

"Going?" and he ran with her. Paolo's face was white and twisted and headed with sweat. Domenica lay there just breathing, no more.

Gian fell on his knees by the bedside and gripped her hand. She smiled pitifully briefly. "Menela! Oh! Menela!" he gasped.

Then the little hand in his flexed suddenly and lay limp, and her face took on a great repose. And the strong man's head was bowed, and his mighty chest rent with sobs, at this breaking of his hopes.

For the child lay dead by his dead mother, and to the stricken husband and father life was nothing but a dreary waste of dust and ashes. In that there was his ruin till the little hand in his was as cold as his heart. Then he got up, kissed the beautiful cold face — more beautiful now than ever he had seen it, and went out. And his own face was lined and worn as it remained to the day of his death.

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Giuseppe indeed dragged himself with difficulty to a point whence he could watch him. But he only sat with his hands clasped round his knees and waited.

That side of the lake had grown all dark, and the shadows had chased the light up the grey sides of Legnone opposite, and finally off its snowy cap, and Gian had never stirred.

Sudden with dew and weary to death, and fearful in his mind lest Gian should really have died of his grief — though that was almost beyond his belief — Giuseppe at last quivered courage to crawl along to him.

"Gian!" he said softly. "Go! . . . Go! . . . Go to the devil!" came the rough growl, and Giuseppe, satisfied that he was alive, clambered down the steep again.

Sometimes in the night the guards on duty saw him pass. Then no one saw him again, save Giuseppe, till the day when, with arduous toil, they carried Domenica to the top of the hill and buried her there, with the child and all Gian's hopes, in one grave.

It was hewn out of the solid white marble, with pick and crowbar and small charges of powder, under Giuseppe's directions. And when Domenica lay there the white blocks were piled high above her, and at her head they stepped a tall slim pine-tree, carefully trimmed and smoothed to the top of which was nailed the flag of the Medici — the three golden balls on a crimson ground.

The great rough pile of white marble and the floating crimson flag could be seen from all the country, sides, and from far up and down the lake, and proudly told the world that the Master of Musso had realized the two great ambitions of his life. His life, indeed, was desolate, and his heart was full of bitterness, but that dominating white pile and its guardian flag had in them somewhat of tempering for the bruising he had undergone.

It pleased him to imagine that from their height Domenica and her boy still looked it over all that passed below — that far as eye could reach on every side the land was his, and theirs.

CHAPTER XIX.

Gian was never quite the same man after the death of Domenica and his boy.

And they lived he would have gone on adding lands to lands for their sakes, so that the boy's future might have become as big as he had planned it.

That incentive was buried under the white marble cairn on the hill-top. For the present he was content to consolidate his position as Master of the lake, and to maintain his force, both in men and guns and boats, on the highest possible level, ready for any emergency.

At Lecco, the Spanish Governor was one Villatero, courtier rather than warrior, who had climbed the ladder more by the agility and suppleness of his body than by force of arms.

Gian delighted to harry him, and kept him in such a state of perpetual alarm by his audacious raids that Villatero decided to make an end of him, if not by hook, then by crook, which was his much more familiar weapon.

Open attack on Musso was as hopeless as an assault on the gates of heaven itself. So — to the crooked ways which had served him so well in previous matters, and he set himself to work.

In Gian's latest descent on Lecco — one of his usual midnight swoops for the health and cheer of his men and the pleasing inflation of his coffers — the final scrimmage had been so sharp that several wounded men had been left behind, unrecoverable in the darkness.

Among them was young Sardo, son-in-law of old Mario Marchi — the man

whom Gian had promoted sergeant when he raised the Brinza against Sardo, and whose life he had saved in the big fight behind Come.

When Gian found he was missing he was for returning to recover him, for he valued the lad and had proved his worth. But by that time they were several miles up the lake and his way home, down was upon them, and their numbers were ridiculously few compared with the furious Spaniards behind. Moreover, Sardo's companions averred that they had seen him fall mortally wounded, and he was, without doubt, surely dead by this time. So, reluctantly, Gian went on.

Sorely wounded Sardo was, but there was plenty of life in him and his wife had suffered not at all. When Villatero questioned him as to Musso and the Medeghino's forces there, Sardo willingly gave him just the information he thought would please him best, diluted on his side with harmless lies, the matter of discipline and let it be plainly inferred that both he and many more in Musso were open to an offer of better pay and fewer hard knocks.

Villatero, always on the look-out for tools, treated him well, and in due time the cue talk took his measure and felt his way with him. And the game was entirely to Sardo's liking.

It was a case of native cunning versus foreign. Italian versus Spaniard. And the Spaniard was well matched. But — the Medeghino had saved Sardo's life, and Sardo did not forget it.

After ample preparation, and cautious approaches spread over many weeks, Villatero felt confident that he had found the man for the business he had been planning.

Sardo had made it quite clear to him that Musso could never be taken by force. To pretend otherwise would have been to advertise himself as a fool. Treachery alone could open its impregnable defences. He had dilated on the massive south wall — on the terrible northern ravine packed with pointed stakes and rusted spear-heads, on the great north fort on the upper plateau, and the guns which would carry half across the lake, — on the marvellous new fire-arms, large and small, which gave the Medeghino's men such an advantage over all comers.

For the vanquishing of all these disadvantages no promises were too great. And Villatero was, no niggard in promises which he might — or might not — have eventually to fulfil.

So, as the result of many trafficking, and for a sum of money large enough to make him a wealthy man — if he ever received it, for payment in such a matter naturally depended on the due fulfilment of the contract — Sardo undertook to introduce into the Castle, by the secret way from the Post, an empty store of gunpowder and provisions, shut himself up in Musso, and defied the world.

Sardo engaged an army of Swissers to besiege him there, and for many

months Il Medeghino and Goliath had all the fighting their souls could possibly desire.

But it was profitless work. At best simply holding one's own, no prospect of advancement, always the possibility of loss. And so in time he tired of it. His restless soul craved greater things than the lordship of Musso.

Musso had served his turn. He could hold it for ever against any force they could bring against it. But there were greater things in life even than Musso. He had proved himself there. His soul, bereft of love, sought its satisfaction in other ways. Musso had carried him many steps up the ladder, but there were still higher flights for the adventurous who held life cheap but would sell it dear.

The rest were of the same mind. Goliath, indeed, would have been quite content to spend a peaceful old age in Musso, with just enough outside recreation available at any moment to keep him in fighting trim. But Giuseppe and Ghiberto were young enough to wish for larger spheres.

So, in the manner of his times, Gian concluded a treaty with Sardo, by which, for an annual subsidy of ten thousand gold scudi — a very great sum in those days — and the new and larger title of Marquis of Marignano, he surrendered the Lario and all his possessions there, Sardo guaranteeing continuance of all the ordinances made by Gian for the ruling of the territories he had won.

It sounds but a poor ending to such a story as that of Gian Giacomo Medici. But it was not the end, and Gian obviously knew what he was about. The historians of the day tell of Gian's deep feeling when he said goodbye to Musso.

Gian served both Savoy and Spain. He fought in the Netherlands and in Hungary, and became Viceroy of Bohemia. He died at Milan at the age of sixty and was buried at Marignano. But when his brother Giovanni became Pope Plus IV, his body was

removed to Milan Cathedral and placed in the splendid tomb constructed for it by the Pope's orders, by Leone Leoni, the sculptor, of Menaggio.

He was at once a product and a maker of the times in which he lived, and as such he must be judged. But the fact that he was so greatly loved by his own folk and by all who served him proves him something more than simply one of the world's great adventurers — a man of character, a man of velvet and of steel, and of good round work-a-day homespun.

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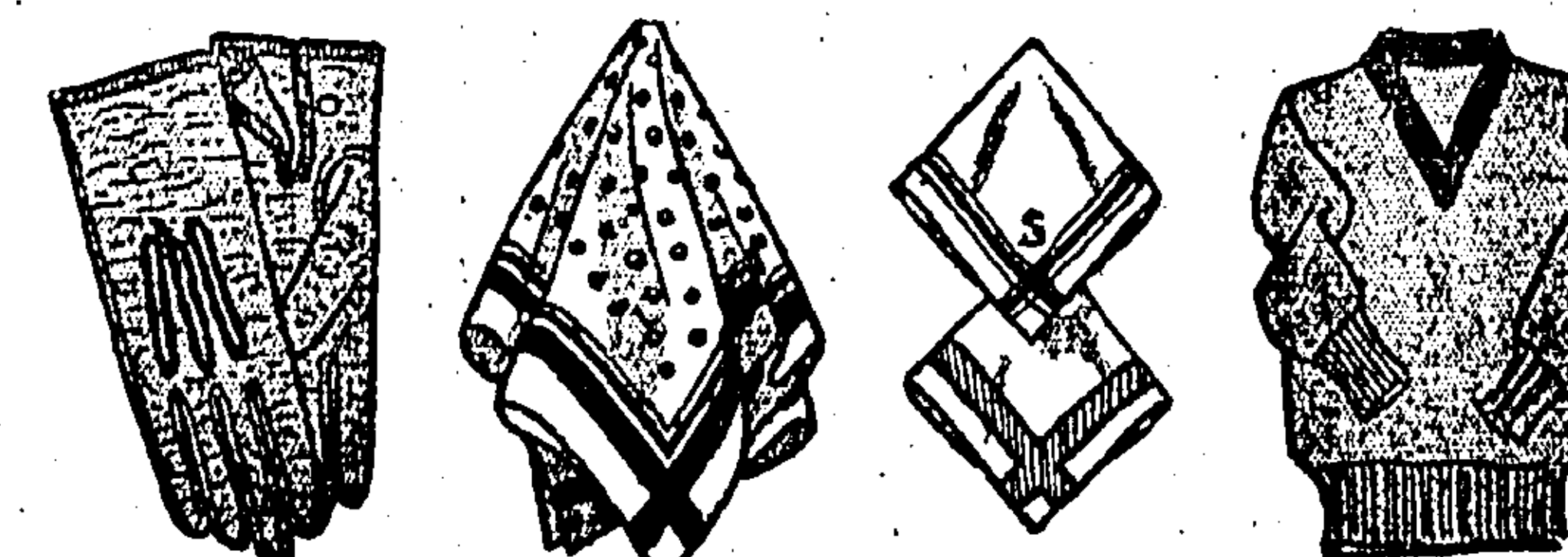
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"HERALD" REVIEWS.

JOLLY MURDERS.

["Murder At Lintercombe, by Ian Greig; Ernest Benn, 7s. 6d.] Mr. Greig has not been quite fair to us. He has produced a gruesome title and supported it with the description "a triple murder mystery," and then the fellow must needs wax as cheerful as an alderman at the Lord Mayor's Banquet!

We dive into Lintercombe expecting the usual sombre and sinister people, the well-known eerie atmosphere, and possibly even a ghost or two complete with clanking chains, and what do we get? Certainly we get the three murders. They are there from the word "Go" and later two more are thrown in to avoid the possibility of disappointment to the blood-thirsty.

Between times we get an excellently drawn picture of a country-house party made up of real people whose apparent detachment from the main plot, while actually we know them to be vital to it, is one of the cleverest things in a book that rises well above the customary level of detective fiction.

The only unfavourable criticism we have to offer is that Mr. Greig has done his death-dealing on too grand and too haphazard a scale. Against that be it said that he has avoided dragging in any semblance of a long interest, wherefore we hope that a grateful public will buy "Murder at Lintercombe" by the million as an example to those many authors who will not let us hear the shots for the sound of kisses.

AUSTRALIAN'S SUCCESS.

["The Sixth Journey," Mills and Boon, London.]

Alice Grant Rossman, an Australian writer, who has lived abroad a long time, has several successful novels to her credit, notably "The Young and Secret." In "The Sixth Journey" she has all the elements that go to make another seller. It is the story of Judith, child of an "early indiscretion" on the part of

an afterwards successful architect, who sends the girl to be brought up by a brainless aunt. The cruelty inflicted on the unwanted child, her cousin's friendship, and her final triumph over a callous world give plenty of scope to make a story in which the interest is always well-sustained. Several characters are drawn with a detail that brings them sharply alive, and the book is bound to find a large feminine public.

AN ENGLISH HEAVEN.

["Mr. Ciggers Goes To Heaven," by Douglas Massie. London, Sampson, Low, and Marston.]

When Mr. Clarence Ciggers, like Tomlinson, gave up the ghost on his bed at home in London, no spirit came and took him by the hair. Instead, he just floated up to the grey Town of Justice, where he was tried as a snob and a hypocrite, and sent to "Victoria" (the English Heaven), where, in the town of Industria, he became a great success, was acclaimed as the Richest Man in Heaven, and was elected Lord Mayor by the Directors of the Bank of Respectability. Then he gave it up, all for a girl out of his earth-life, and plunged into a round of adventures which brought him in most miserable condition to Carnalis, the port of embarkation for the Infernal Regions. This town, in Mr. Massie's satire, strongly resembles Chicago, and harbours a villain, Tiger Face, who is repeatedly being hanged for murder and shipped "over the river," but always succeeds in getting back somehow to commit fresh crimes. He kills Ciggers, and thereby (the author is vague about this) improves his soul. Ciggers sets out alone to save the Victorians, and in a dramatic finale wins at last to Azuria, the Real Heaven. Mr. Massie is a true satirist, but he also preaches, and his rhetorical outbursts, in which he knocks chips off the economic system, grow rather wearisome. Given the lighter touch, which all such stories need, his satire would have been more effective in its appeal.

A DIFFERENT WILD WEST.

["Dark Horse," by B. M. Bower; London, Hodder and Stoughton; Sydney, Dymocks.]

Nobody gets killed in Bower's latest Wild West yarn; instead of stopping bullets, a crowd of cow-punchers suffer smallpox. It all begins when Big Medicine, riding home in a thunderstorm, sees a galloping horse struck by lightning, and picks up the still living rider from a patch of weeds. After an eight-mile tramp with the stranger on his back the cowboy reaches the ranch—and thereafter comes a deputy-sheriff and a quarantine posse, and the ranch is quarantined under armed guard. The rescued one, "Nameless," is a quarantine dodger, and his reward to his rescuers is a mild epidemic, during which all sorts of troubles break out among the once Happy Family at the Flying U. This is an amusing yarn rather than a thriller. A crudely told but thoroughly clean story.

MILLIONAIRES' CHILDREN.

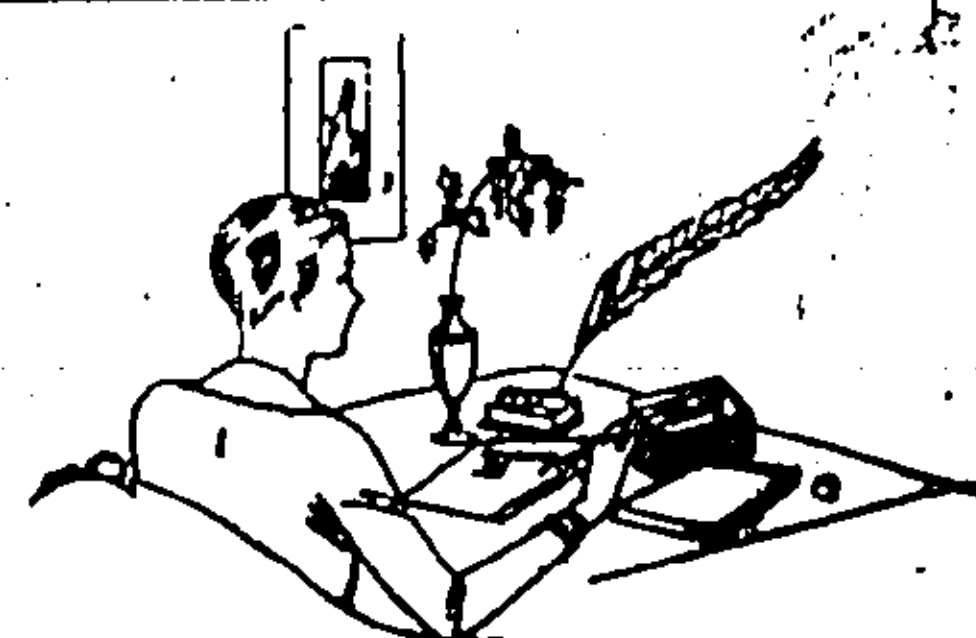
["Sundown," by Dyke Acland; London, Hodder and Stoughton.]

Mr. Dinmont, at the opening of this story, finds himself a millionaire. Yet in making his money he has lost his family, the sons growing up into wasters and the girls into spenders. The baleful influence of money in the future, with a certain indulgence by a woman whose idea of managing children was to give way to them, and who, when her husband protested, used the weapons of sulks and hysteria, is shown by the author very truly and without melodrama or exaggeration. A good, sober story of an interesting character.

FIVE TOWNS ROMANCE.

["Dodd The Potter," by Cedric Beardsmore; London, Cassell.]

Arnold Bennett, with his Five Towns monopoly, is dead. Now comes a new novelist of the district, Cedric Beardsmore. Mr. Beardsmore tells simply and effectively, the story of a love affair in the midst of the commercialism of the Midlands. There is a genuine story-telling instinct in this novel, much observation, and plenty of homely humour; a cheerful book by an author of whom we are sure to hear more.



The GLOBE TROTTER'S DIARY

Expensive Wardrobe - - -

Details of Capone's lavish wardrobe were revealed during his trial on charges of income-tax evasion.

He was said by department store clerks to be in the habit of wearing about \$200 worth of fine tailoring. His usual dress included a \$7 shirt with monogram, \$15 tie, \$10 collar, \$35 suit, \$40 overcoat, \$70 diamond-studded belt buckle, \$2 suit of silk underwear, \$5 hat, \$5 shoes and 10s. socks.

Capone's taste in motorcars was expensive, too. One car, presumably the famous limousine equipped with a steel body to keep out machine-gun bullets, was said to have cost him \$3,000. Another salesman said he sold Capone a car for about \$1,400.

A book-keeper also testified that Capone bought \$1,600 worth of sofas, draperies, vanity dressers, mahogany tables and Chinese rugs for his \$10,000 home at Palm Island, Florida.

If You were Dictator - - -

"A fixed unvarying exchange whereby both gold and silver tokens and paper money (based upon guarantees of the dictatorship) would balance goods" is one of the things which the Aga Khan would arrange if he were World Dictator.

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His first duty would be to make "impossible the overwhelming calamity of another World War, and to rectify the acknowledged errors of the Peace concluded twelve years ago."

He admitted that the authority in a final resort must rest upon force, but the force he, as dictator, would provide, would be internationally owned while "for the purposes of internal peace a national police and gendarmerie would be ample."

He would uphold national authority in a "super-national." The Aga Khan thought that the danger areas were Central Europe, the Balkans and Asia. He would

compel aggressor states to disgorge, and remake the map of Europe on cultural and voluntary lines.

Gigantic Catch - - -

A fish weighing about eight maunds has been caught in the River Kangsha, in the Myemsingh district near Calcutta, by a fisherman.

The fish is known as a "bag-hair." It is seven feet ten inches in length, with a circumference of about five feet.

World War Remains - - -

About 2,000 bodies are discovered yearly on the French and Flemish battlefields, and the Imperial War Graves Commission have been able to identify about one man in five. Farmers who returned to their devastated lands are the discoverers and they immediately inform the Commission who have the bodies carefully removed to the war cemeteries. There are still about 150,000 British soldiers whose bodies are yet to be found.

Kills Seven Lions - - -

After an amazing battle with lions, a Mr. Waller is at present in hospital near Jameson with a lacerated arm and head and neck injuries.

He set out to destroy a lion which had been injured by a bush fire. On the way to the spot where the injured beast lay he killed three others, and then determined that the wounded animal would have to be driven out by fire.

Instead of achieving this, however, he disturbed 14 others. Three of these he shot and killed, but a fourth was only wounded, and immediately charged.

Mr. Waller forced his arm down the lion's throat and suffered terrible injuries. When finally the lion left him to pursue some natives who had come to his rescue Mr. Waller, in spite of his injuries, staggered to his feet and shot it dead. The seven carcasses of the lions he had shot were found later.

Optim in the Straits - - -
At the Opium Conference at

Bangkok Sir Malcolm Delevingne, in a long speech, said that the proportion of opium revenue to total revenue in the Straits Settlements was 33 per cent. in 1930; in the F.M.S. it was 14.5 per cent. and in Hong Kong 7.4 per cent.

There was a considerable difference between the figures relating to the Straits and the F.M.S. The Replacement Fund in the Straits totalled \$40,500,000 and in 1930 the opium revenue was \$7,800,000.

In the F.M.S. the Replacement Fund totalled \$24,500,000 and the opium revenue in 1930 was \$3,745,000.

Sir Malcolm referred to the great improvement in the conditions of living for coolies which had caused a decrease in opium consumption. Quick and easy methods of transport had brought new interests and new opportunities of social entertainment. There had also been a great advance in medical facilities. Housing and town-planning were receiving attention also.

Doctor to Blame? - - -

A man who squandered a fortune of \$20,000 because his doctors sentenced him to death seven years ago is still going strong and now is appearing in the bankruptcy court. He has come to the end of his fortune but not, as predicted, the end of his life.

Edward Glossold made his fortune farming in New Zealand, and then returned to England. He contracted heart trouble, bronchitis and asthma and had to be continually attended by nurses. His condition was so grave that his doctors told him he could live only a few days.

But he partially recovered and decided that his last few days should be merry ones and started to have a fling with his money. But he did not die and decided to settle down to a regime of severe simplicity. This worked wonders and his health continued to improve in remarkable fashion. His money, however, was practically all gone. He is now 72 years of age and hearty and healthy—but without money and in the bankruptcy court.

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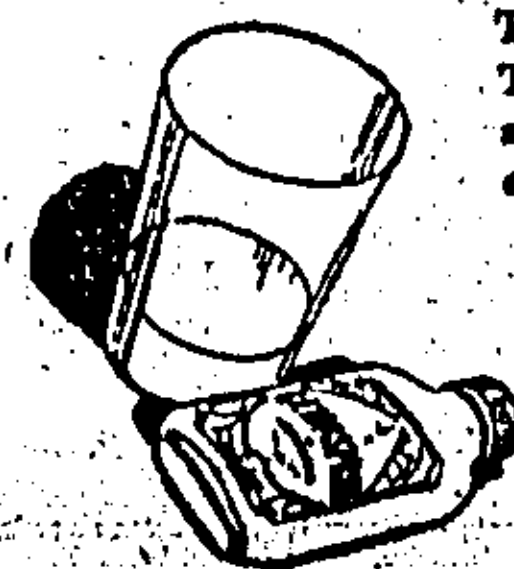
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SUPREME COURT EXHIBITS

RELICS OF CRIMINOLOGY
IN HONG KONG.

QUILLS OF ADMINISTRATORS

[By C. L. C.]

Special to the Sunday Herald.

WHILE the museum at the City Hall has often been made the subject of much criticism and ridicule, there is another museum, little known to residents, which has a unique history of its own.

If one would conjure up pictures of past administrators taking the oath of office; former Judges in their scarlet robes reconstructing scenes of ghastly murders and passing sentences of death on notorious criminals, one can do no better than pay a visit to the Supreme Court.

Curios of Crime.
In the quietness of the office of the clerk to the Puisne Judge, there is a rare collection of quill pens, daggers and other weapons, counterfeit coins and bank notes, and sundry tools so familiar to gentlemen of the underworld.

This collection is contained in a large glass case which occupies only a corner in the clerk's office. This miniature museum was brought into existence by Mr. Silva during his term as clerk to the Puisne Judge. This was many years ago, and had his successors shown the same aptitude of collecting exhibits, the contents of this little case might to-day include the pen with which Sir Henry Gollan, K.C., signed the sentence passed on Carvalho Yeo.

It might also probably include the pen or pens which Carvalho Yeo used to lighten the Treasury chest of a quarter of a million dollars.

Mr. Silva from the commencement of his service made it a hobby to collect quill pens used for signatures representing milestones in the history of Hong Kong. This is how the museum came to contain the quill used by

I sent some of the bread of which I had eaten to Dr. Harland next day.

Dr. Harland, according to the report of the faded newspaper, said that he found the bread to contain a good deal of arsenic, five to six grains in every ounce of bread.

Deadly Daggers.
Then there are other pen nibs which have written sentences of death, and daggers which have caused the deaths of a number of people.

To the members of the legal fraternity and the Press, this little museum has lost its charm, but to others it is certainly worth a visit and the only regret one can voice is that the hobby was not kept up by Mr. Silva's successors. Even now it is not too late to make another start.

DIAGNOSING CRIME.

Experts Want Judges to Be Psycho-Analysts.

A German physician and a German attorney who collaborated for four years in preparing a psychological analysis of the criminal personality, have produced surprising proposals for the administration of justice.

Judges, they urge, should cease to function as they do to-day and should carry out their duties in the role of psychoanalysts.

The conclusions of the four years' study are set out in "The Criminal, the Judge and the Public" (Allan and Unwin, 10s.), by Franz Alexander, Visiting Professor of Psycho-Analysts at the University of Chicago, and Hugo Staub, attorney-at-law, of Berlin.

Professor Alexander's association with Chicago makes the recommendations the more interesting.

"The task of the future judge, who is to be psycho-analytically trained, will not be to fit the criminal under a given paragraph of the law," says the authors, "but to determine the correct psychological category to which he belongs."

"It goes without saying that all chronic criminals will have to be isolated or made socially safe in some other way throughout the course of the period during which they remain a menace to society. The punishment of the accidental criminal serves no purpose, and is therefore superfluous."

WISE
AND

OTHERWISE



"My girl don't look at me since I sent her a birthday present," said Bert, to his friend Jim. "It was an expensive one, too. It cost me five pounds."

"What did you send her, Bert?" asked Jim.

"A beauty culture outfit," replied Bert.

A lady was continually accusing her servant of extravagance without any real cause. The servant bore it patiently. One day she informed the mistress that the coal had all been consumed. This was followed by the remark: "You evidently eat it!"

Next day the candles were all gone. "Candles gone!" said the mistress, "why, I bought half a pound only a fortnight ago."

"Oh, well," said the disgruntled servant, "I can tell you where the candles have gone. I ate them to grease my throat, so that I could swallow the coal more easily!"

Jones: "You're looking saddy to-day, old man."

What's the trouble?
Brown: "I've got noises in the head."

Jones: "Don't worry about that; it must be the band on your hat."

At a certain church, the Vicar was a poor preacher, and the curate very eloquent.

One Sunday, when the Vicar was planned to conduct the services, he came and found the Curate's name on the notice board.

He got hold of the verger and said, angrily, "What is the meaning of the Curate's name on the board? Didn't you know that I am planned to conduct the services?"

"Yes, sir," replied the verger calmly. "We all knowed, but the collections 'ave been down lately an' we wanted ter 'elp 'em up a bit, yer sec."

Doctor: What's your name?
Patient: B-B-B-B-Benjamin Yates!
Doctor: Why do you put all those "B's" in front?

Patient: Well, the parson who baptised me stuttered.

A rather over-dressed young man walking through a country village one day saw a farm labourer thatching the roof of a cottage. The young man stood watching for some time then, thinking himself rather smart, called out, "I say, my man, could you do a bit of thatching on here for me?" at the same time taking off his hat.

The farm labourer looked down and seemed to take stock of the bony bald patch with great care, then shook his head and said in a very matter-of-fact tone, "Nos, mister. It's noa thatching yer want ther; it's a tili or two."

At the booking office.
She: "A return, third, please."
Clerk: "Where to, Miss?"
She: "Why, to here, of course. I asked for a return."

In the club house.
First Golfer: "That was a lovely drive you made."
Second Golfer: "Which one?"
First Golfer: "Why, the one when you hit the ball."

Doctor: "There's very little the matter with you; your pulse is quite regular."

Dainty Miss: "I'm so glad! But does it make any difference—you had hold of my wrist watch?"

"Waiter, my bill comes to thirteen shillings, and you have made it fourteen shillings."

"Sorry, sir. I heard you tell your friend you were superstitious."

Master: "What is the feminine of bachelor, Thomas?"
Thomas: Please, sir—er—a lady-in-waiting."

Yvonne: "Whatever induced Dora to take up golf so suddenly?"
Yvette: "Oh, she read a newspaper article about somebody finding a diamond in the rough."

The insurance agent had called for the third time and, as usual, the little son was "told off" to answer the door.

"Is your mother in this time, sonny?" he asked sternly.

"No, sir, she is out," responded the boy.

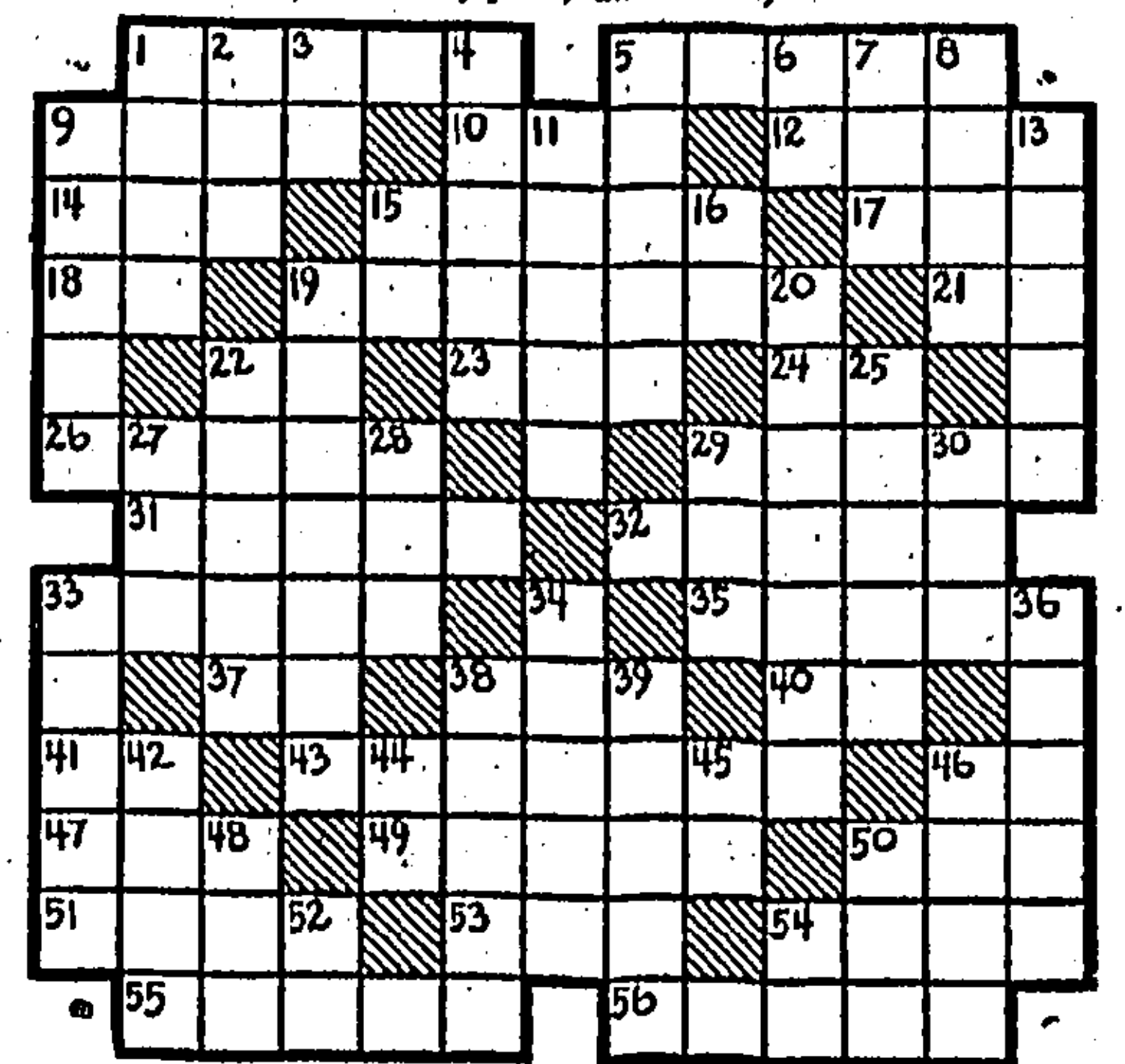
"Well," thundered the agent, "why didn't she take her shadow with her?"

Joan: Percy is going crazy over his new motor-car."

Maudie: "That's strange. Every time I've seen him he has been going crazy under it."

OUR CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, photo, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

1-Parsonage
6-Active
9-Plant of Arum family
10-Augment
12-Want
14-Greek goddess of mischief
15-To one side
17-Scottish river
18-Exile
19-Natural scenes
21-Mother
22-A country of Europe (abbr.)
23-Patriotic society of U. S. (abbr.)
24-Done (Latin)
25-Shy
26-A flat-bottom boat (pl.)
31-One of the Cyclopes
32-A mountain in Arabia (Bib.)
33-Disposes of by sale
35-Urped
37-Tellurium (abbr.)
38-Serpent

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

40-Plural suffix
41-Because
42-Hopelessness
43-Part of verb "To be"
47-Tavern
48-A Belgium city
50-Mischiefous child
51-A claw
52-An eagle
54-Greek god of war
55-Pilot
56-Feminine name

VERTICAL

1-Tangles
2-Metric land measure
3-Negative
4-Relieved
5-Viper
6-Half an em
7-Crimson
8-Abound
9-Render corrupt
11-Girl's name
12-Darlings
15-Army Corps (abbr.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

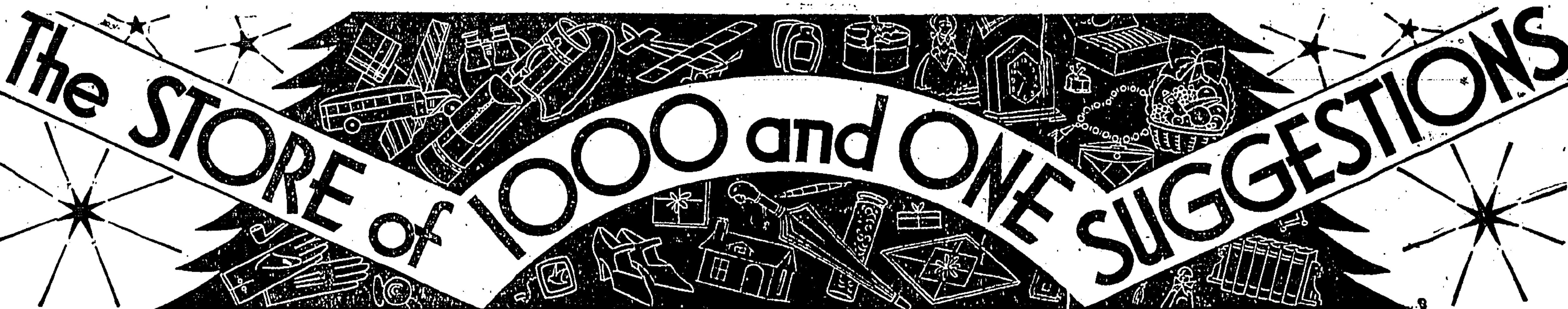
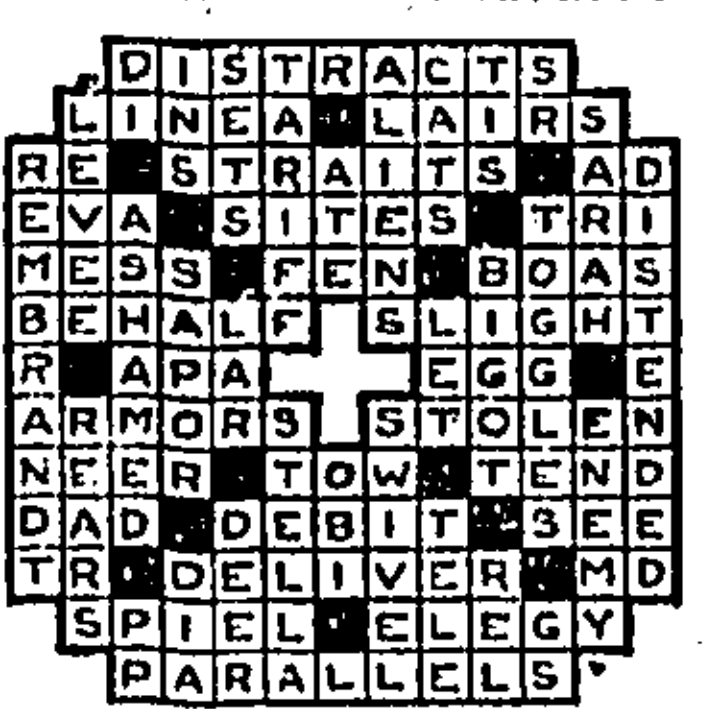
16-Comparative suffix
19-Ran over the edge
20-Not so old
22-A small food-fish
25-Unsuspected
26-Impedimenta
27-Chemical suffix
28-Two (Bp.)
29-Pastry
30-Blind
32-Country of Europe
34-A Turkish unit of money
38-A gloomy state of mind
39-Remains of perished hopes
40-A kind of velvet
42-Break suddenly
44-Egypt (abbr.)
46-Pronoun
48-Express hearty approval of
49-Nothing
50-Anger
52-Musical note
54-American Legion (abbr.)

Poor old Fletcher's dead and gone;
His face we'll see no more;
For what he thought was H2O
Was H2SO4.

When it's newly washed—
Mother's.
When it's just overhauled—
Son's.

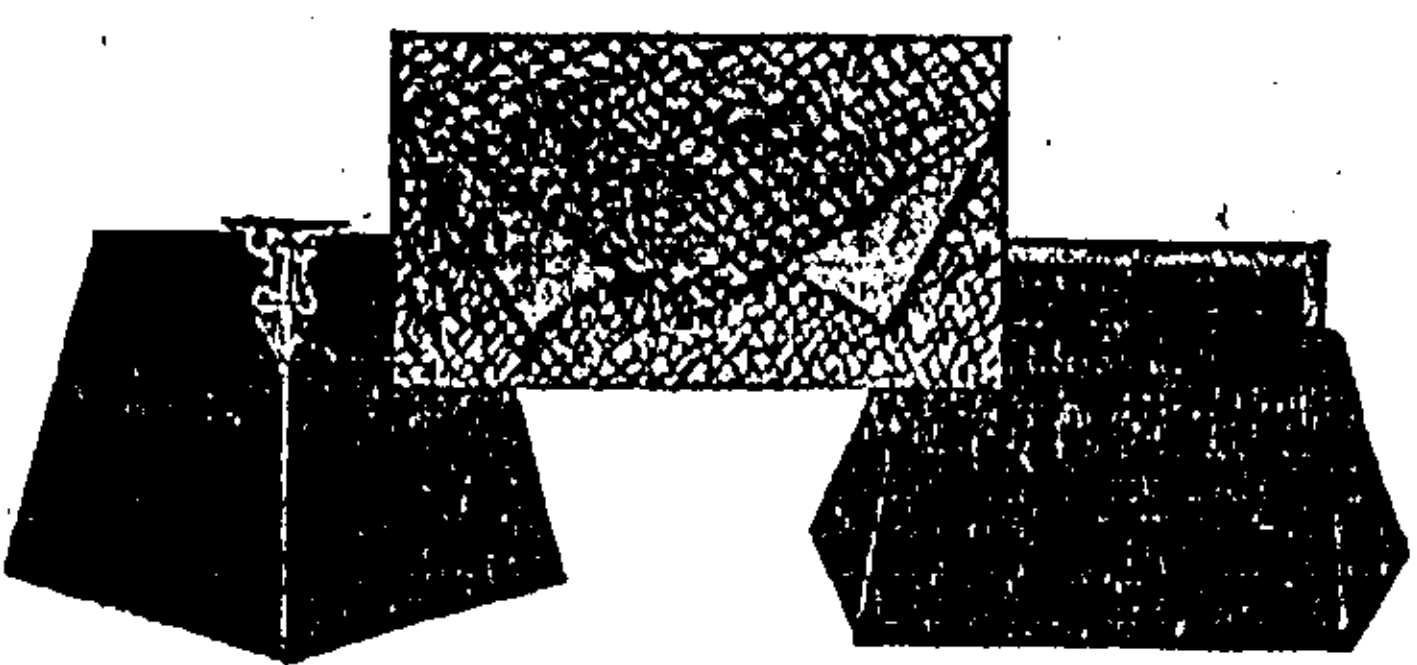
When there's a dance on—
Daughter's.
When it needs repairs, fresh paint, five new tyres, and a tank full of gas—Dad's.

LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION.



FOR LADIES

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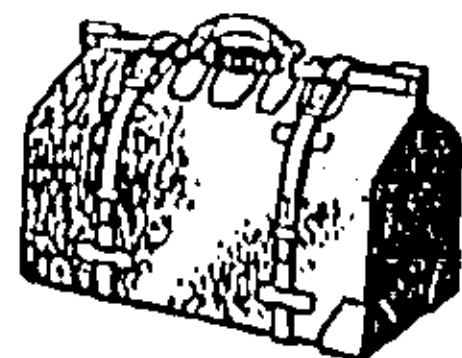


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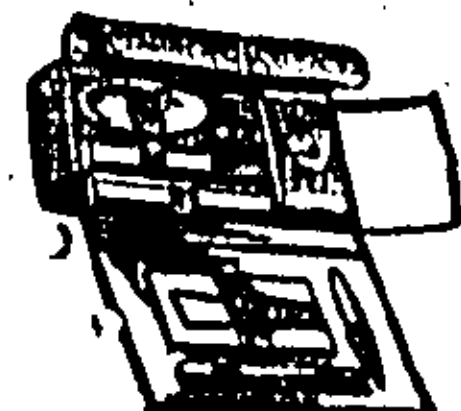


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Christmas.

THIS half pagan, half catholic festival, at last, is almost within grasp. "The dove which carries the olive branch of 'Peace on earth to our families,'" first gave a flutter to show that she was yet alive, about six weeks ago; and lifted her head, "crowned with a garland of snow," when the first seasonal cards of greetings made their appearance on store counters. Since then she has shown more and more and, as the days went by, greater signs of life. And now is greening her feathers and preparing herself to flutter above and about us, symbolic of Mercy and Charity, in an effort to draw us out of ourselves, to make us think of others, to make us realise that, as a Chinese philosopher has crystallised it:—

"We are all Brothers between the Four Seas."

But, has Christmas any meaning for us to-day? Is it more than a welcome break in the routine of our lives; just a holiday? Is it more than a conventional season for the exchange of gifts, of cards, of platitudinous, meaningless greetings and wishes? The Scrooges and the cynics say it has lost today any meaning it may have possessed in the days gone by; that it is just a relic of a custom (a pleasing custom even, they are prepared to admit) of an age, or ages, fast crumbling into the dust of nothingness. There is, alas, a danger that they may be right. May be right. Not they are right. Note the difference. For there is a tendency in the direction the Scrooges and cynics indicate. Whether that tendency will ever be overcome, and how it is to be overcome, we are unable to say to-day.

Let us probe this matter a little way. Let us consider gift-giving, that aspect so closely allied to the festival. Placing on one side the gifts made to children, it will not be disputed that gift-giving is increasingly becoming conventional and more and more impersonal. A correspondent to a Home newspaper says:—

"The Christmas shopping season has for many years been increasing, both as to the number of presents given and their style and value. It has now attained a distinct form of insanity. People buy and give away all sorts of things which the recipients do not require. . . . On December 27 many people sell their presents to jewellers and others. . . . There is no desire to interfere with business, but it seems time to return to sanity in this matter."

Gift-giving of that conventional, impersonal nature is valueless in so far as the spirit and meaning of Christmas is concerned, and it is not to be wondered at that the Scrooges and cynics find reason to say that Christmas means nothing to-day. Again, how often is it not the case that, because the Browns remembered us last year, or we happen to know that they are going to send us a gift this year, we (the Greens) rush into a store and make a purchase of a gift for them? Or, waking up on Christmas morning and finding that a gift has come in from the Greys, we make a frantic dash into a shop and send the Greys a gift as well? Only the other day, a young lady in Hong Kong was heard to say that she had spent money on gifts that represented three months' salary for her. Even if she does not grudge the spending of so much money it was unwise of her to pledge herself, and her gifts are simply the semblance of gifts.

Much the same may be written about the custom of sending out Christmas cards. These latter were introduced to reduce the writing of Christmas letters — it is not always convenient to write to everybody — but these cards, rather our choice of them, has become too impersonal, and their value is discounted almost to the extent of nothingness.

But, let us return to a consideration of this great festival and what it might mean to us. Does the celebration and observance of the festival serve a valuable purpose at all, and, if so, what is that purpose? Surely it is this: It brings into prominence and invests with impressiveness two primary facts which form the very basis of Society — Motherhood and Childhood. This, alone, is an ideal worth maintaining. For, is not the service and love of family one aspect of that greatest of all ideals the Service of Humanity? And, is the lesser ideal not all the more worth while to maintain in an age in which family life is said to be disintegrating? Again, is there not some advantage in this yearly diversion of men's minds, mainly occupied with plans for material success, to that beautiful conception of Love and Devotion — the Mother and the Child, which has given birth to the most exalted potencies of civilised life? It is! And, this ideal of service and love, spreading outward from the family, embracing universal brotherhood, and finally losing itself in the service of humanity, surely is the true and fundamental meaning of Christmas?

"And the spirit of Christmas. Can it not be carried on into the year to come? And in the years to come?" a writer asks. And suggests, "The decorations may be taken down, the visible atmosphere of festivity lost, but the spirit of charity, of goodness, of happiness, and of brotherhood, can still be preserved, if the determination to preserve it be there. Let life be one long Christmas." So say we with him.

A Merry Christmas! This is our greeting to you, reader. It may lack originality, but it is sincere.

News in Brief.

The rainfall for this year up to yesterday, was 79.98 inches, compared with an average of 82.66 — a deficit of only 2.68 inches.

The lowest open air temperature up to 4 p.m. yesterday was 63, the humidity being 68 at 10 a.m. and 70 at 4 p.m. In Macao the temperature was 61 at 6 a.m., 74 in Manila, 28 in Chefoo, 45 in Shanghai, and 58 in Foochow.

The President and Committee of the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home gratefully acknowledge the receipt of the following donations to the funds of the Home:—H.M.S. Medway (Ship's fund) \$100; H.M.S. Suffolk (Canteen fund) \$100.

Personal Pars.

Mrs. B. Thompson, of the Advertising & Publicity Bureau, returned from a business trip to Singapore yesterday.

Lieut.-Commander (E.) R. T. Grogan, R.N., and Surgeon-Lieutenant A. J. A. Gray, R.N., left for Home by the P. & O. s.s. Corfu yesterday.

Mr. Martin Blake, Sanitary Inspector, returned from long leave at Home yesterday, accompanied by Mrs. Blake and their two daughters.

Monsieur Alphonse J. Hund, manager of St. Francis Hotel, has returned to the Colony by the s.s. Tonkin, after spending a holiday in Haiphong.

Amongst local residents returning by the P. & O. steamer Karmala yesterday was Mr. David Gow, of the Kowloon Dock, accompanied by Mrs. Gow and their daughter.

Latest news of Mr. A. H. Crook, former head master of Queen's College, according to the Yellow Dragon, is that "he is in splendid trim and looking better and fitter than ever."

Mr. D. M. Richards went through the Machine Gun School at Netheravon and passed out to G.I. On his return to the Colony he is unlikely to return to Queen's College, where he was assistant master.

After special duty at the Education Department, Mr. W. L. Handyside will resume his former position as second master at Queen's College in the place of Mr. G. W. Reeve, who is going on long leave.

Yesterday was the sixth anniversary of the death of Mr. James Oxberry, proprietor of the Palace Hotel and the father of Buffaloism in the Far East. Fitting remembrance of the sad anniversary was made by members of the St. James Oxberry Lodge.

The Rev. Burnett Hillman Streeter, F.B.A., Canon of Hereford and Lecturer of Queen's College, Oxford, after a very brief stay in the Colony, left for Home by the P. & O. steamer yesterday. He is a voluminous author of religious publications and is a popular lecturer wherever he goes.

The Hon. James Mackay, C.B., O.B.E., and the Hon. Patricia Mackay were passengers for London by the P. & O. liner Corfu yesterday. The former, who is 72 years of age, is a native of New South Wales, and has been a member of the N.S.W. Legislative Council since 1899. He served in the South African War and did meritorious work in Australia during the Great War.

An interesting visitor who left for London yesterday by the P. & O. s.s. Corfu was Viscount Glenapp, son and heir of the Earl of Inchcape, the shipping magnate. The Viscount, who will celebrate his 44th birthday on Christmas Day, is a partner in Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co., Calcutta; MacDonald, Hamilton, Sydney; Gray Davies & Co., London; and managing director of the P. & O. Company, Wm. Cory & Son, and the Marine Insurance Co. His recreations are hunting, shooting and polo. In 1915 he married Joan, youngest daughter of the Late Lord Justice Morarty, and has three sons and a daughter.

DEAD BOY'S PRIZE.

Moving Scene At A School.

There was a moving incident at the annual prize-giving at Amersham (Bucks) Grammar School.

The head master (Mr. R. E. Yates), announced that William A. Knott, aged 17, who was recently killed in a motor accident, had won the prize for conduct and character, and that the award would be sent to his relatives. The school rose in silent tribute to the boy's memory.

LAI'D TO REST.

**Funeral of P.C.
Harold Morse.**

MILITARY HONOURS.

The funeral took place at the Protestant Cemetery Happy Valley yesterday morning of Police Constable Harold Thomas Morse, the Rev. L. N. Watkins officiating at the graveside.

Full military honours were accorded, the Band, firing party, and buglers being formed from the South Wales Borderers regiment. The coffin was conveyed from the Government Civil Hospital to the cemetery on a gun carriage drawn by members of the Police Force, preceded by a military Band, the cortege reaching the cemetery at 11.30 a.m.

A large number of Police officers followed the coffin, including Mr. P. P. J. Wodhouse, D.S.P., C.I.E., and Mr. Peter Grant.

Wreaths were sent from "Father and Mother," "George and Frank," "His old chum—Pearcey," "Frank," "Mac and Goldy," "Your Old Pal—R. H. Went," Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and family, Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Baker and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. E. Booker, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis, Mr. and Mrs. Carey, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Elston, Sgt. and Mrs. Goldsmith, the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe (Inspector-General of Police), Mr. and Mrs. L. H. V. Booth, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Barnett, Inspector and Mrs. W. R. McWalter, Mr. and Mrs. Logan, Mr. and Mrs. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Reynolds, Inspector J. Brennan, Sub-Inspector P. Murphy, and Inspector Chang Jen-yu.

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Mrs. L. Matheson.

The remains of Mrs. Lillian Matheson were interred in the Protestant Cemetery, Happy Valley, yesterday evening, in the presence of a gathering of personal friends. The Rev. H. V. Koop conducted the burial rites.

Those present included Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hamilton, Mrs. Maitland, Messrs. P. C. Potts, A. H. Potts, H. A. Taylor, H. E. Goldsmith, R. H. White, Harold Seth, and W. Woodward.

A floral tribute from her sorrowing daughter was buried with the remains.

Wreaths were sent from "Auntie" Winnie and Ida Ritchie, Sir Henry and Lady Pollock, the Hon. Mr. H. T. and Mrs. Creasy, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert A. Lammert, Mr. Justice and Mrs. R. E. Lindsell, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Monaghan, Professor and Mrs. F. A. Redmond, Mr. and Mrs. H. Broadbent, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Black, Professor and Mrs. M. H. Roffey, Mr. and Mrs. Grimble, Mr. and Mrs. H. K. Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Maughan, Mr. and Mrs. E. Cock, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Drake, Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Pearce, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hunter Tyson, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Humphreys, Dr. and Mrs. W. B. A. Moore, Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Smalley, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Goldsmith, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Hodgson, Mr. and Mrs. Llonel E. Lammert, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Pentreath, Colonel and Mrs. Robertson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Woodward and Dorothy, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hancock, Mr. and Mrs. J. Harrop, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Cassidy, Mrs. William Shewan, Mrs. J. A. Plummer, Mrs. Murdoch, Miss Drury (Matilda Hospital), Mr. H. A. Taylor, Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Messrs. C. H. and C. S. Liang, G. Hollingsworth Bond, Douglas C. Clark, Robert H. White, A. W. Brown, F. M. Hartley, and P. C. Potts; Lane, Crawford, Ltd., and "Huntington" servants.

PUT LIVE KITTENS ON FIRE.

Henry Pickering, 42, a drover, who was sentenced to a month's hard labour at Leicester for putting four kittens on a fire and burning them to death, said: "My mother was throwing the kittens out of the basket, so to prevent them being hurt I put them on the fire. They died very quickly." The Chairman: "It is an abominable case of cruelty, especially for a man accustomed to animals."

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She is known as Zlata, the girl demon of Zagreb.

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Aged 11, Zlata has organised an army of child bandits which has terrorised a whole district of Zagreb, says Reuter's Belgrade correspondent.

Marching round the streets, they have kicked and insulted those who have refused to comply with their demand for alms, stolen from shops and private houses, and managed to keep out of the way of the police on account of the efficient "intelligence system" of their organisation.

Escapes from Custody.

Zlata has lived in defiance of all authority since she was six. "Child queen" of the gutter, she is an expert in every imaginable trick for getting money by fraud and in dodging the police, escaping the attentions of the school inspectors, and eluding her own irate father.

Many times Zlata has been arrested, but every time she has escaped from custody.

THIEF IN A.S.P.'S. HOUSE.

A Hakka man, brought before Mr. Grantham, in the Central Police Court, yesterday, charged with the theft of a travelling clock and a string of pearls, the property of Mrs. Booth, wife of Mr. L. H. V. Booth, A.S.P., living at 11, Leighton Hill Road denied the charge.

Mr. Booth said that on Friday afternoon, the amah had occasion to go upstairs at his residence. On entering the bedroom he saw defendant stooping over Mrs. Booth's dressing table, opening the drawers. Recalling that he was an intruder, the amah raised an alarm. The house "boy," who was downstairs telephoning, came to her assistance, and intercepted the thief as he was descending the stairs. Defendant was taken to the servants' quarters, where, on being searched by the "boy," the articles were found.

After evidence was given by the servants, his Worship convicted the defendant.

At this stage, Mr. Booth, asked for a remand. He said the Chief Detective Inspector had drawn his attention to the fact that there had been a number of similar larcenies lately on the Peak, and it has been suggested that it would be an advantage to the Police if his Worship granted forty-eight hours' remand before passing sentence. The object of the remand was to hold identification parades in respect of other larcenies on the Peak.

HONG KONG FAIRY STORIES.

Only one leading paper with a leading cub-editor reported correctly the decision of the Judge at the trial of an Oxford undergraduate at Old Bailey on a charge at manslaughter.

The greatest hit of the week was "Thirty Minutes in a Street" by "A Man of Ideas," among the "Spinners of Lushie."

The mention of 1932 nine times in Volunteer Orders suggests a fear that the members of the Corps might wake upon on January 1 and imagine themselves back in 1911.

Weather forecast for Christmas Day: "Heavy snowstorm, accompanied by hard frost."

On Christmas Day Editors and sub-editors will roll the change of diet from trips to Christmas pudding.

To kind enquirers: The Burgomaster of Talpo has had a collision with the Twelve Apostles, but is now convalescent; the Mayor of Kowloon Tong is in retreat until the New Year festivities at the Kowloon Football Club.

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THE WEEK'S WEDDINGS IN PICTURES



The wedding between William Bell and Miss Mary Munro Bell, B.Sc., was a most colourful event last Tuesday. The above photo shows the bride looking charming in a picturesque gown of ivory embroidered chiffon, stiffened by an organdie foundation. After the reception in the Hong Kong Hotel the happy couple left for Manila for their honeymoon.—(Ying Ming.)



A group photograph taken on the occasion of the wedding of James Bullock and Miss Helen McLeod. The bridegroom, a member of the Dairy Farm, Ice & Cold Storage Co., Ltd., was surrounded by a large circle of friends whose admiration for the sweetly dressed bride was poorly disguised. The Rev. E. G. Powell officiated.—(Ying Ming.)



William Bell and Miss Mary Munro Bell, B.Sc., photographed after the wedding ceremony in the Union Church, Kennedy Road, last Tuesday.—(Ying Ming.)



Miss Mary Munro Bell and Mr. Stewart Hope, who gave her away, arriving at the Union Church for the marriage ceremony. The Rev. E. G. Powell officiated.—(Ying Ming.)



The bridal party photographed at the Union Church last Monday when James Bullock was married to Miss Helen McLeod. The bride was given away by Mr. A. Stevenson and Mrs. A. Stevenson performed the duties of matron of honour.—(Ying Ming.)



James Bullock and Miss Helen McLeod photographed on the steps of the Union Church, Kennedy Road, after their wedding ceremony last Monday.—(Ying Ming.)

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YULETIDE ONCE AGAIN RAINS GIFT SUGGESTIONS.



BLouses TO NOTE.

In modern blouses costing many guineas there are at times, ideas the home dressmaker might copy the next time she is making a blouse. Lovely creations, all lace, are now and in dark cream tints, though they accompany a palely coloured suit. Short sleeves to the new blouses are finished in a variety of ways. On a satin blouse, there are little tabs of the material. Picot edging may introduce another colour, or black, and on a lomon satin blouse, black is always attractive. Such a blouse has a V-neck and the tiniest of turnover collars. Tiny motifs of lace on other satin blouses are inset with the satin stitch. A variation of this fashion is the insertion of a lover's knot on the reverse side of the material.

TO GO WITH SATIN.

With the evening frock, accessories are so beautiful that it often happens that such details are far more expensive than the frock itself. Where satin is cut on statuesque lines, for instance, there must be shoes and vanity-bag which have a special connection with the scheme—instead of fussy ornaments which are entirely meaningless.

CLARA BOW SPEAKS ON MAKE-UP.

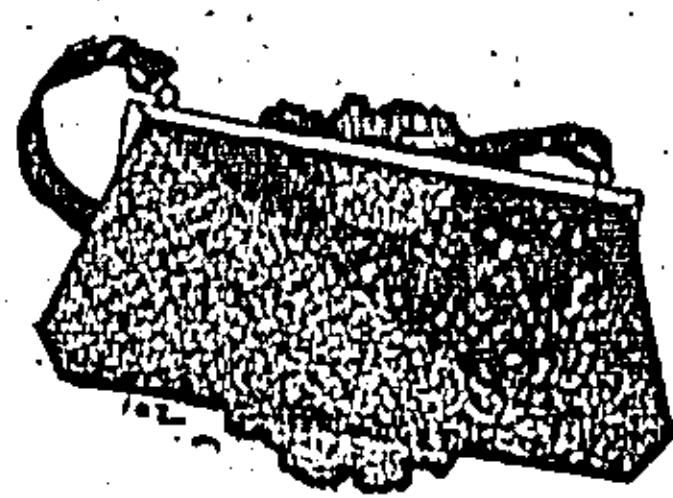
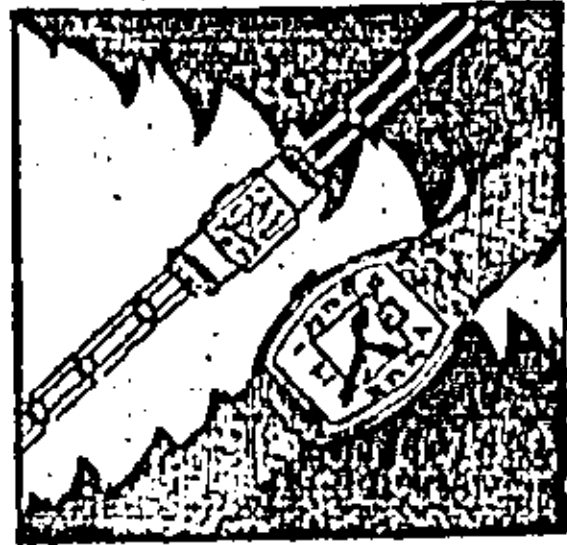
Complexion Defects.

Yellow, red, white, black and blue are colours that demand special make-up, according to Clara Bow. She advises that lavender-tinged powder, rose-coloured rouge and vivid lipstick are correct for yellow tones, while red requires lip and cheek colouring that harmonize meticulously.

"The prime rule for making up for white is to conceal carefully all complexion defects and avoid a too-pale effect," declares Clara. "Black, on the other hand, demands light effects, which can be achieved by using orchid powder and coral shades of rouge."



Whether she is your sister or your girl friend she demands your thoughts. Look about this page for a gift suggestion if you have not already made up your mind.



GREEN RULES FURNISHING OF NEW HOUSES.

Cream Ceilings and Walls.

Green is an important colour in the furnishing of many new houses, especially the brighter hues which are seen in rooms whose ceiling and walls are cream.

In one room there were side curtains of green velvet, and the arm-chairs, and a pouffe were all velvet-covered. Large green jars held flowers, and the table runner was green; a collection of silk panels on the wall were mostly green too. Dark greens are considered dowdy. This vogue is for that sharp tint which is sometimes called apple green. Even the outside of newly-decorated houses show green door and window-frames and much cream paint.



PYJAMAS

It is not the expensive pyjamas which are the most attractive. Elegant styles are now seen in artificial silk voiles, linens and cotton repps. At a parade of pretty, though quite inexpensive fashions, a mannequin wore pyjamas of plain and patterned artificial silk, a soft rose colour being the dominant shade.

The trousers with their super-wide legs were of the plain rose silk, fitted to a pointed waist-band, and at the hem was a binding of the figured material. There was a blouse of the patterned silk with V-neck rouleau-trimmed and with ends to tie. Needless to say, the blouse was made without sleeves.



TRIMMING THE ANKLE.

The finest silk stockings for the evening are quite elaborately designed, in spite of the fact that they show so little under the long frocks. A line of open work around the ankle is seen on beige stockings, and there are gossamer black silks with a lace inset over the instep. Fine gun-metal coloured stockings are knitted in a fish-net design, and the same open-work pattern in a heavier silk is popular for outdoor wear.



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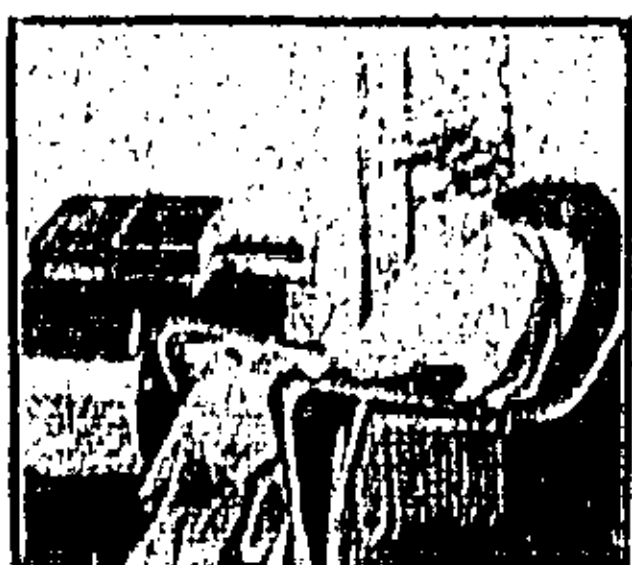
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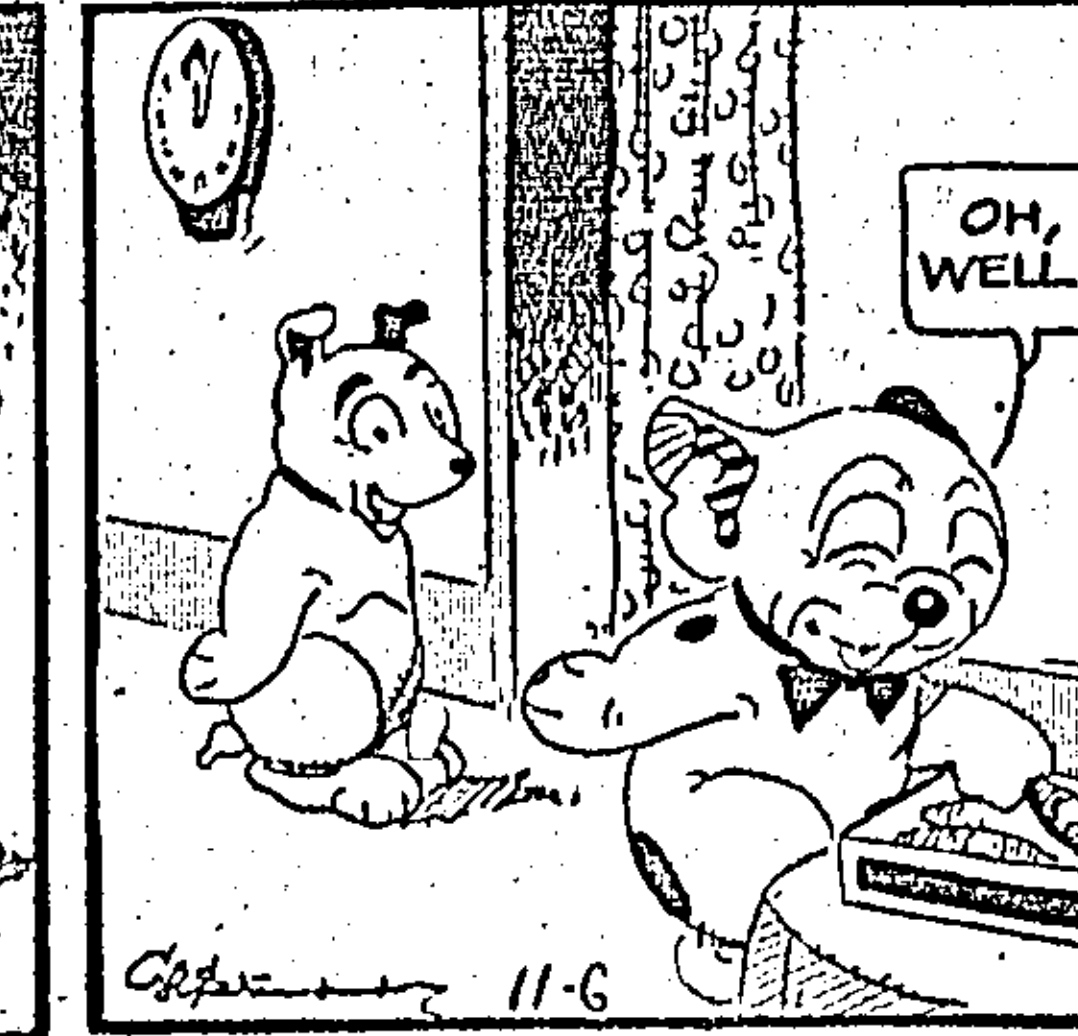
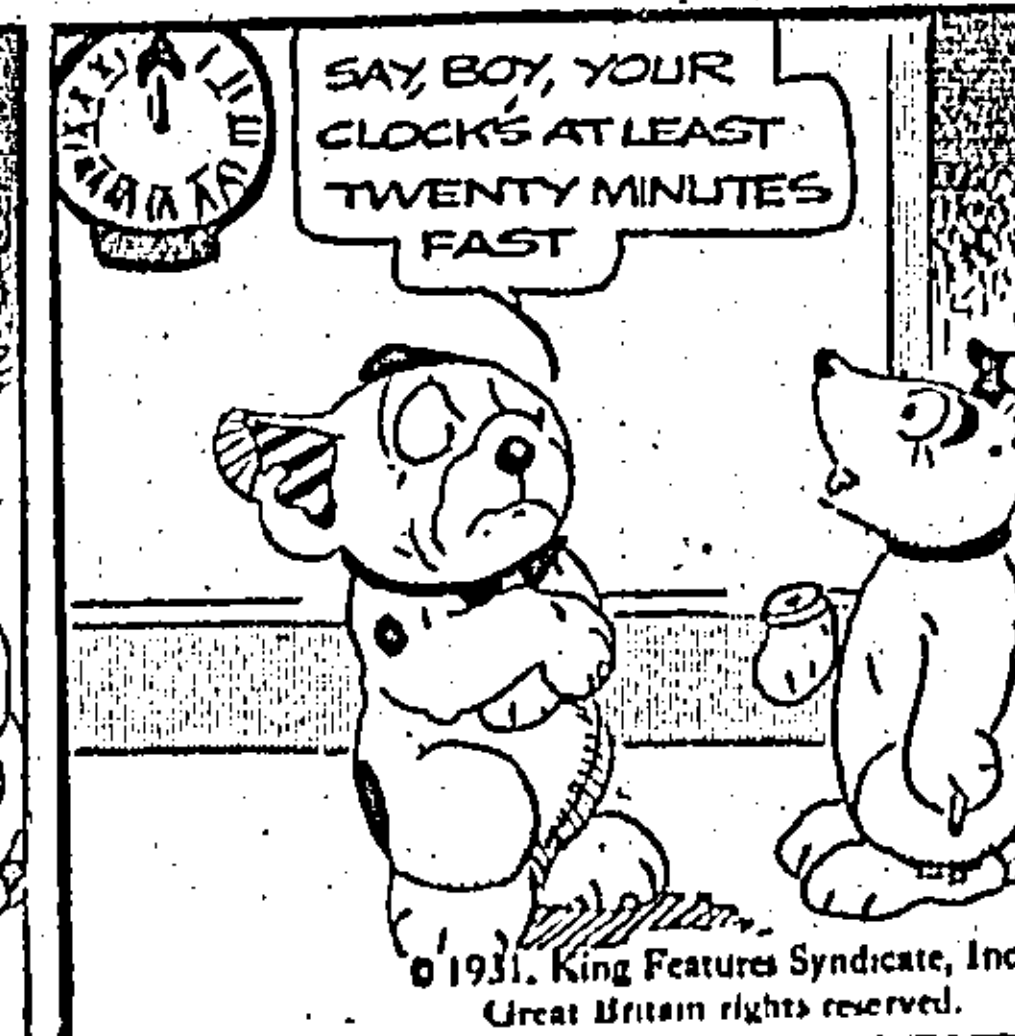
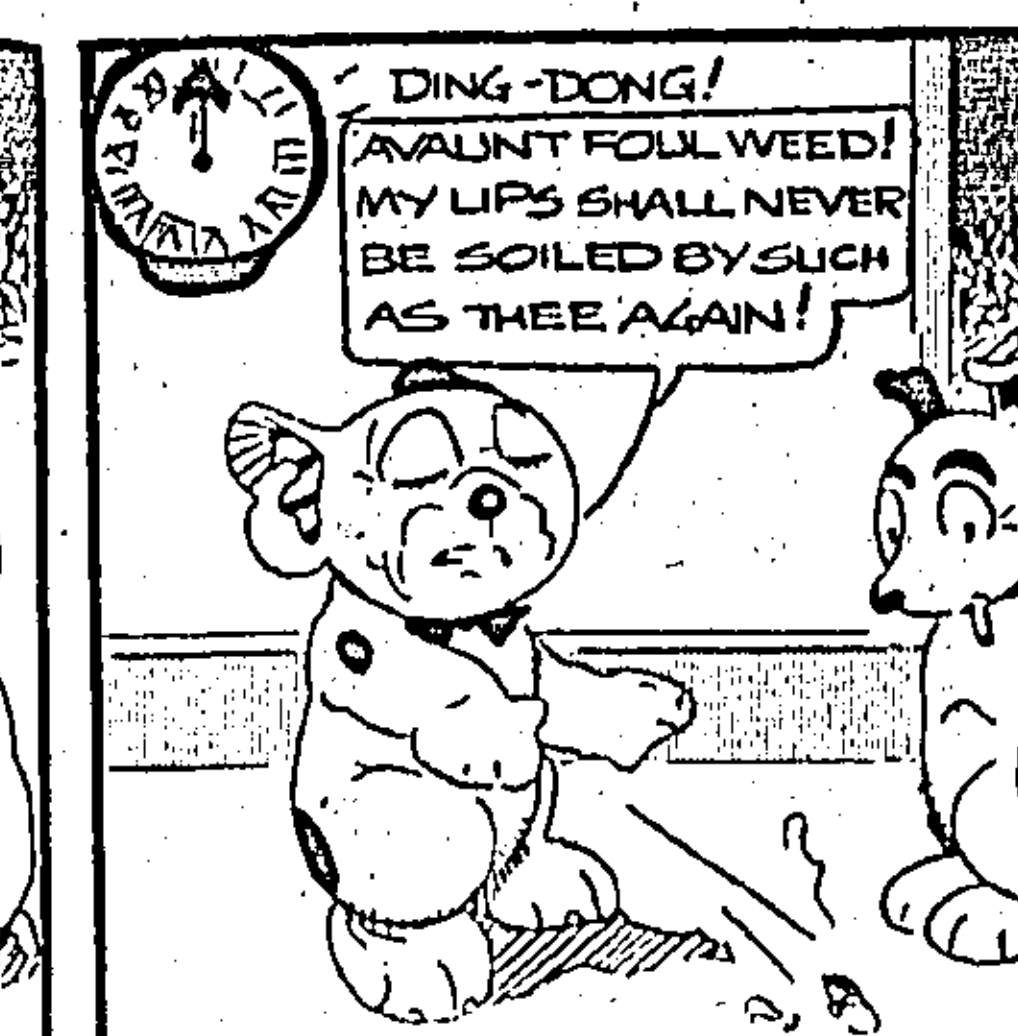
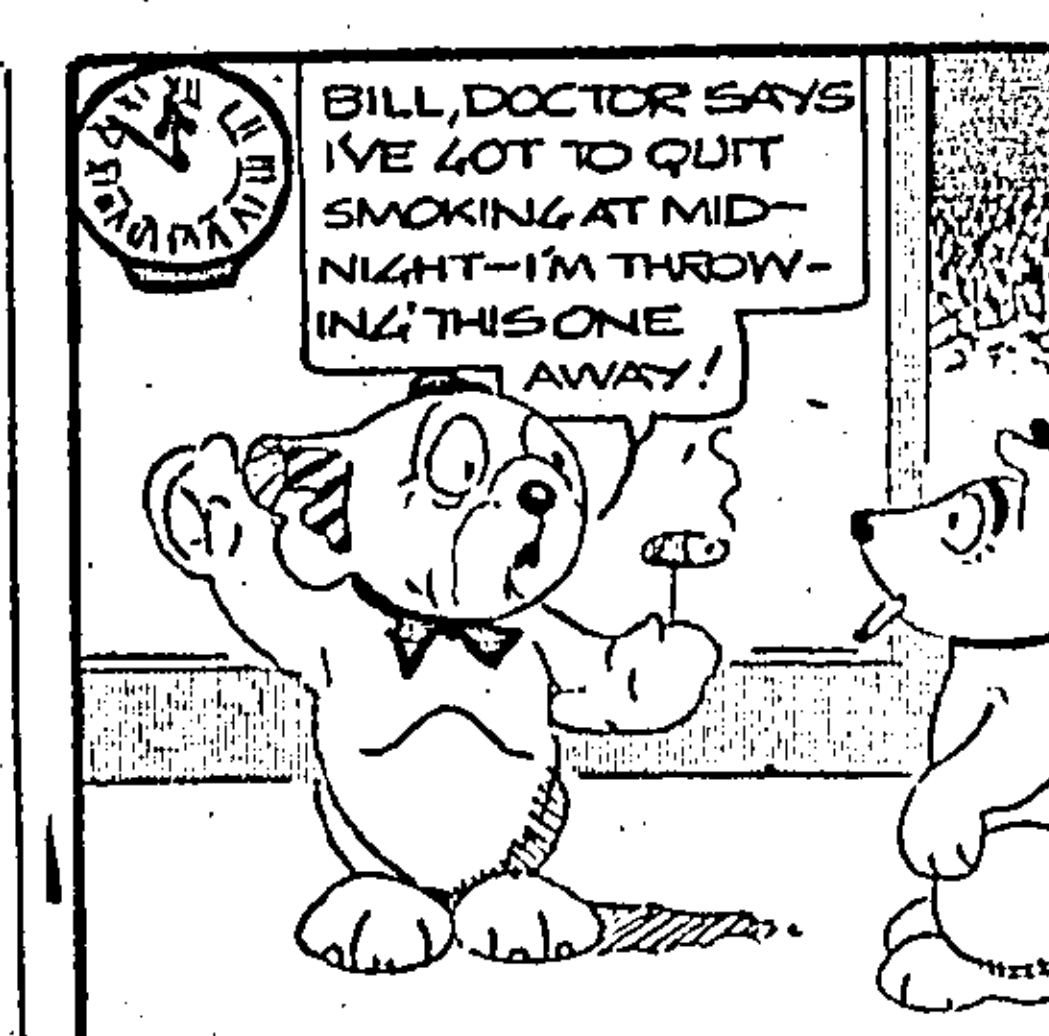
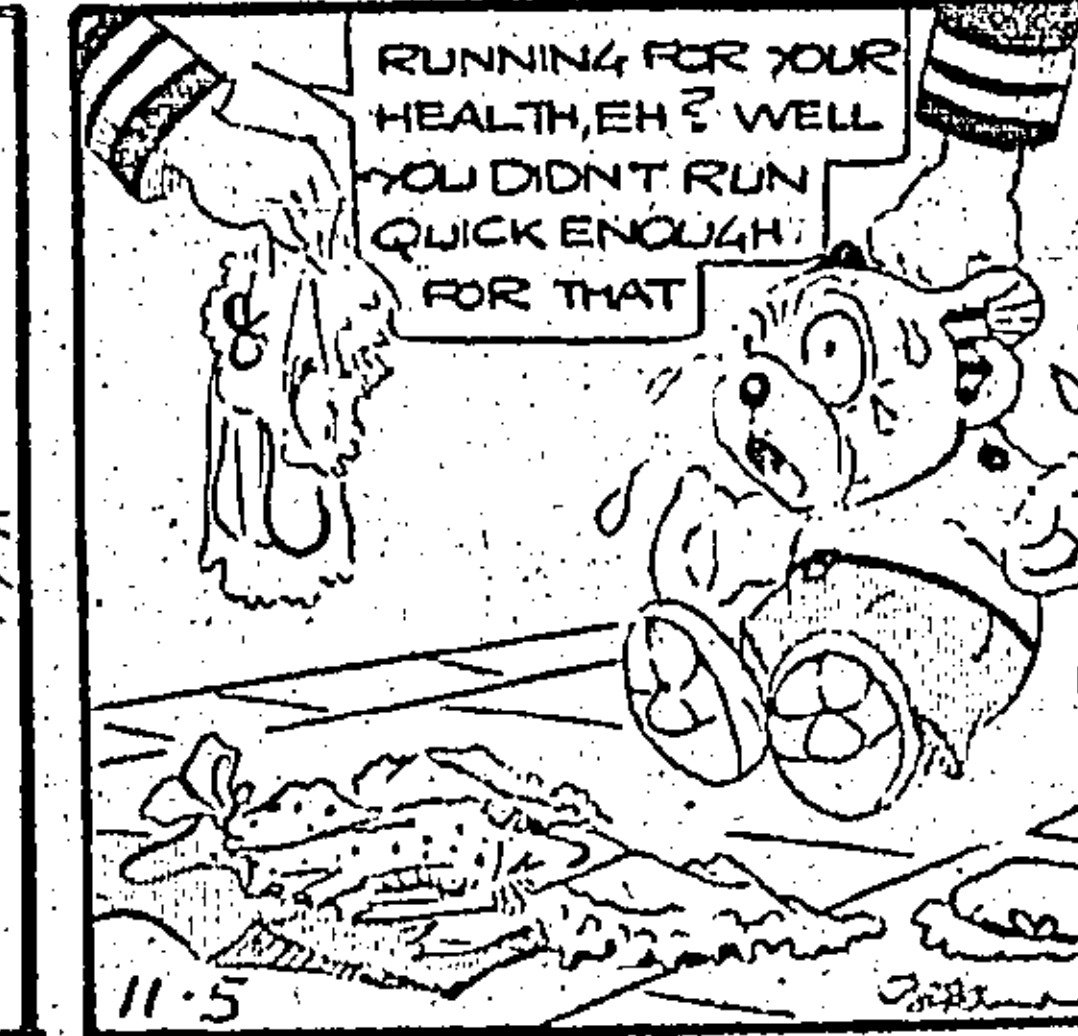
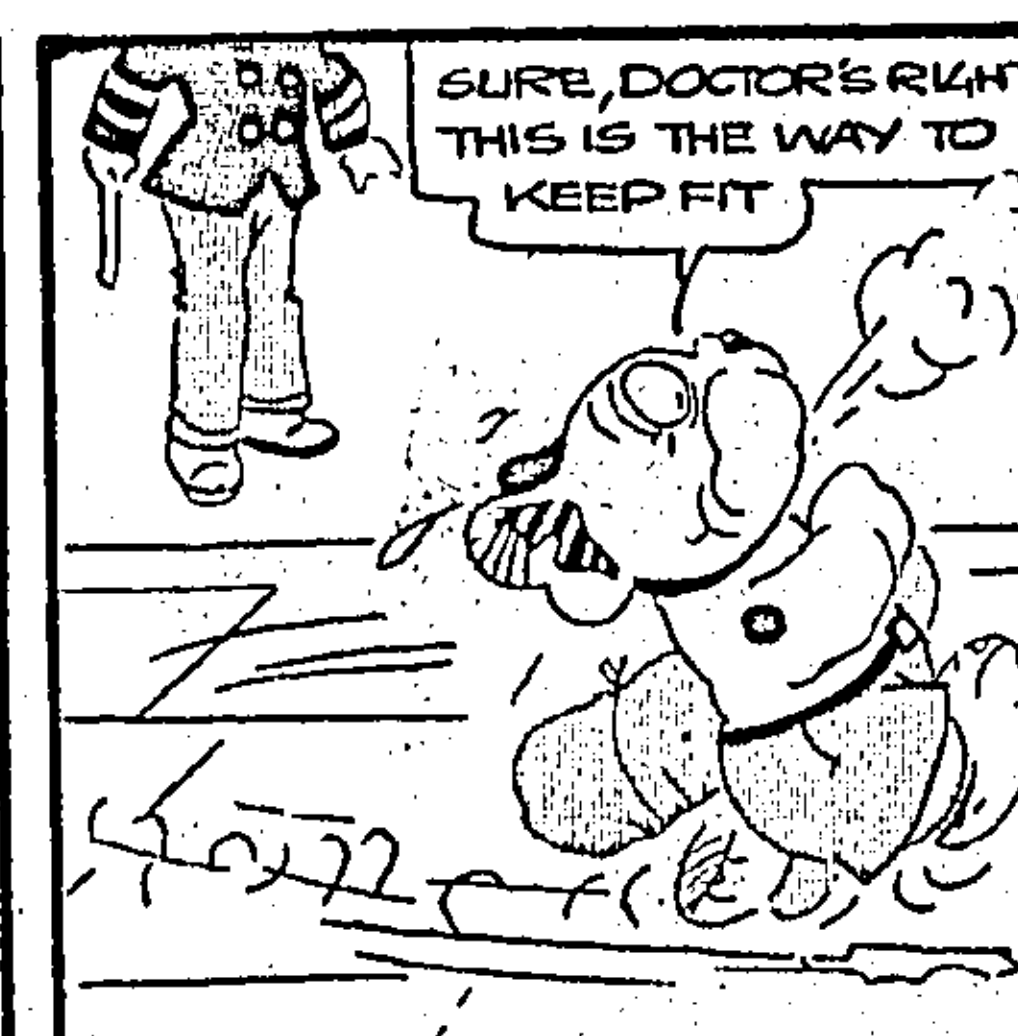
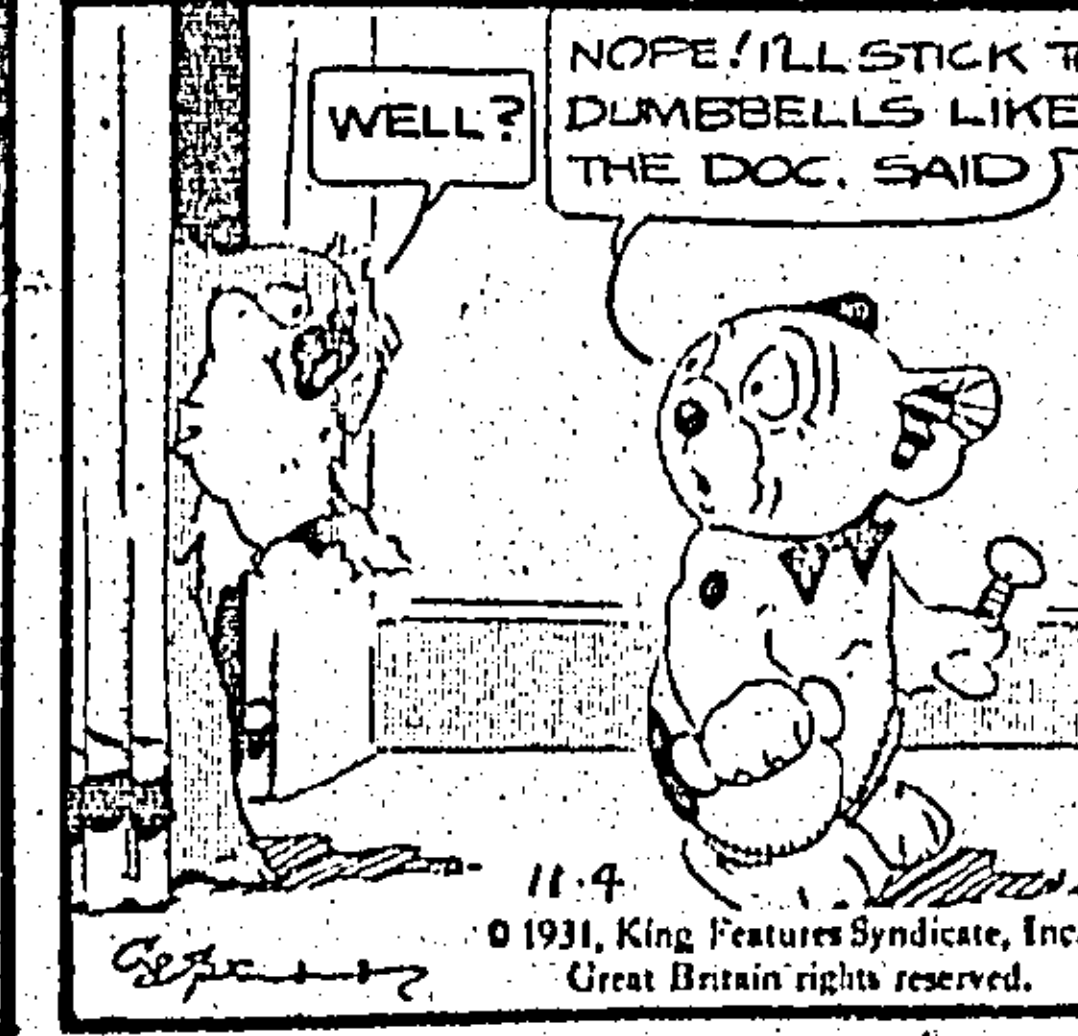
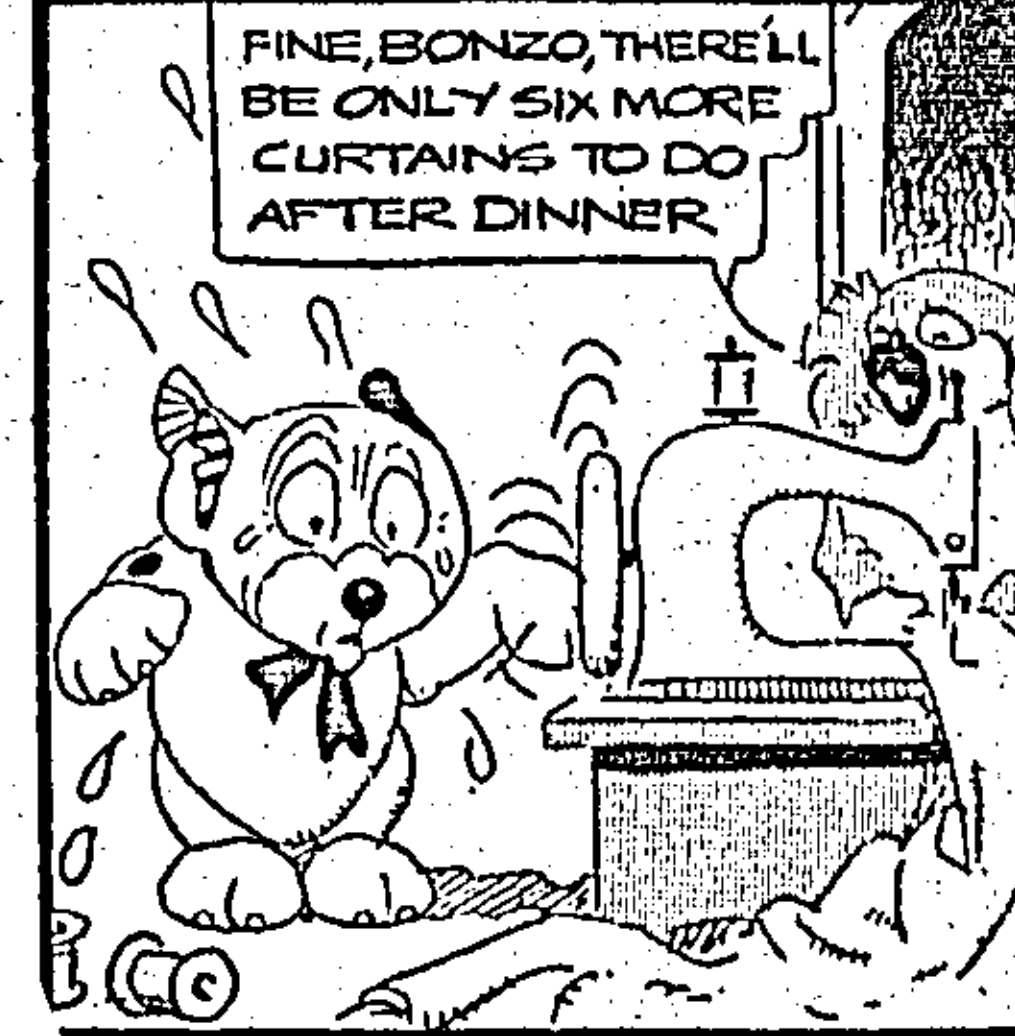
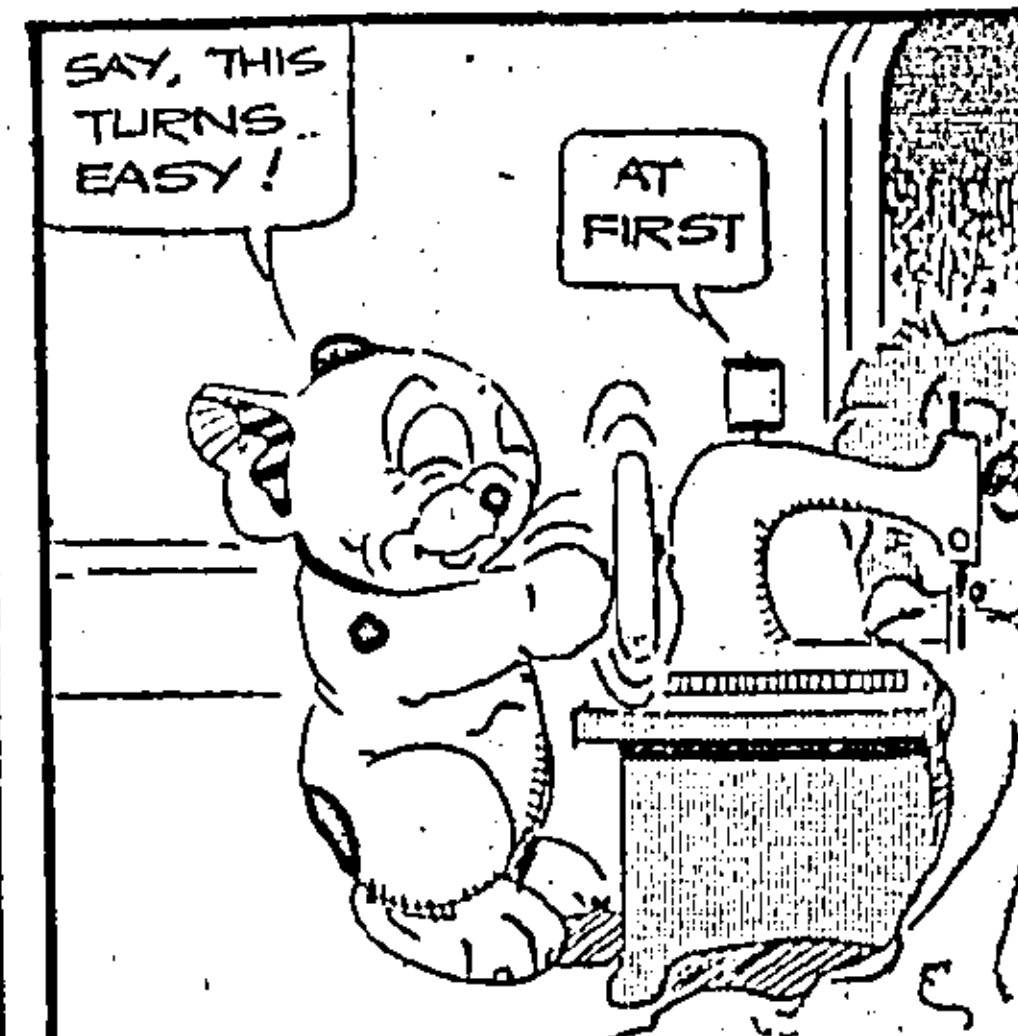
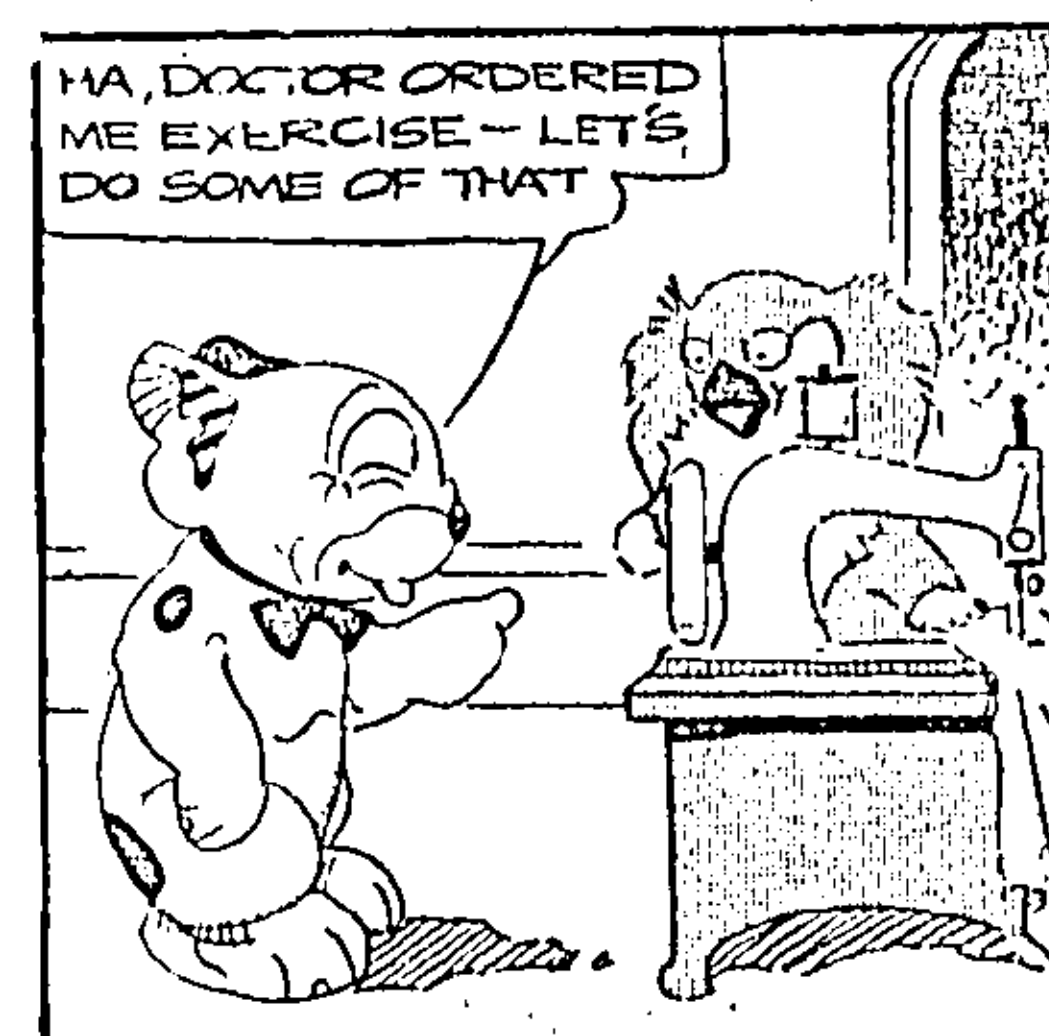
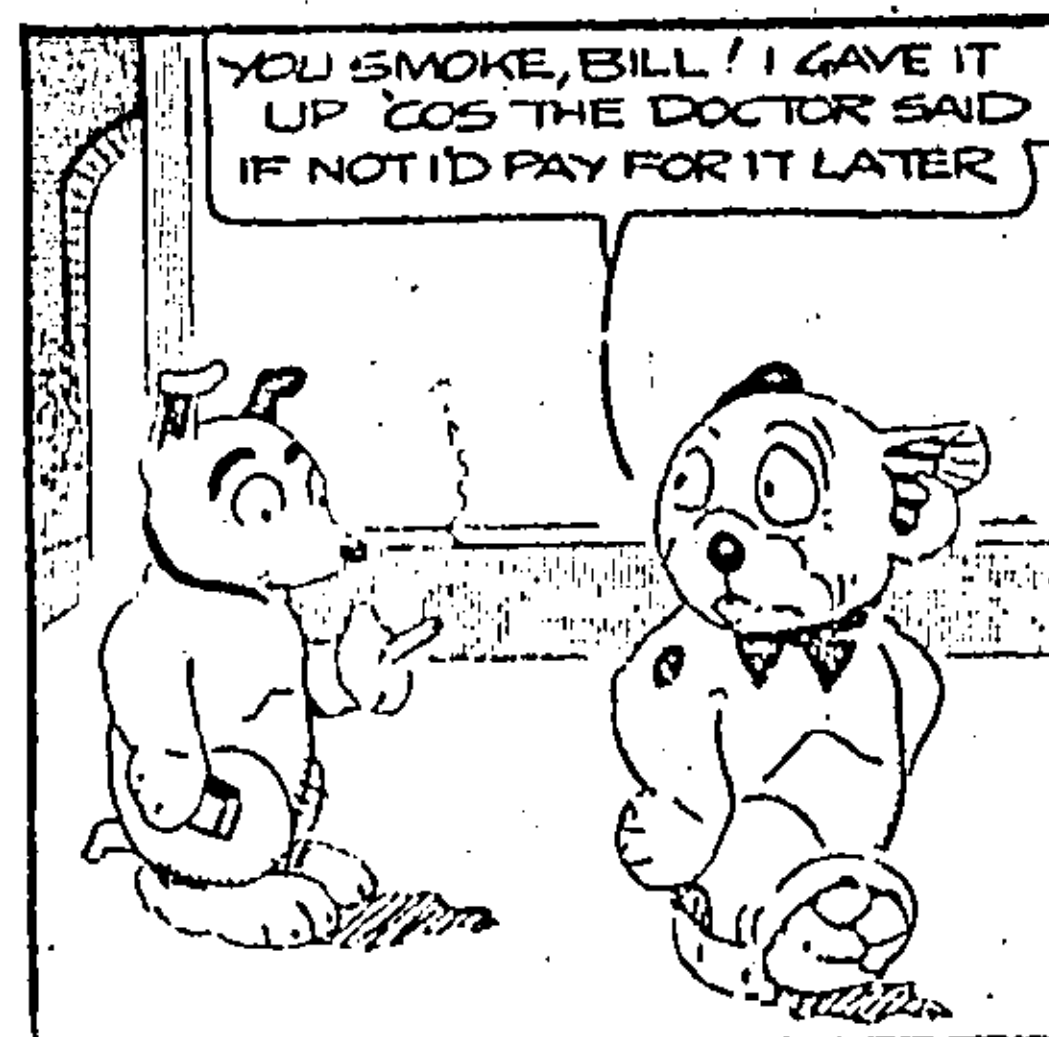
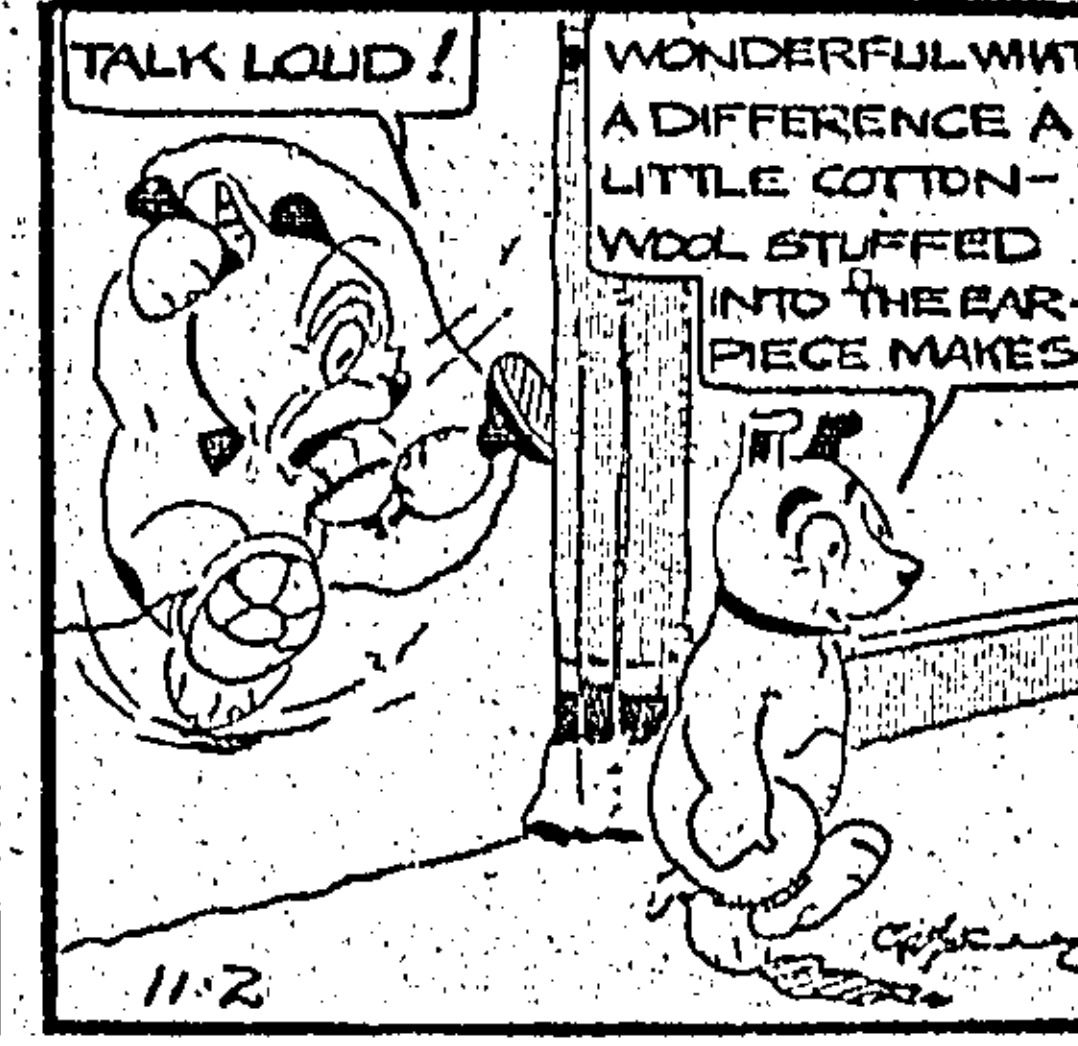
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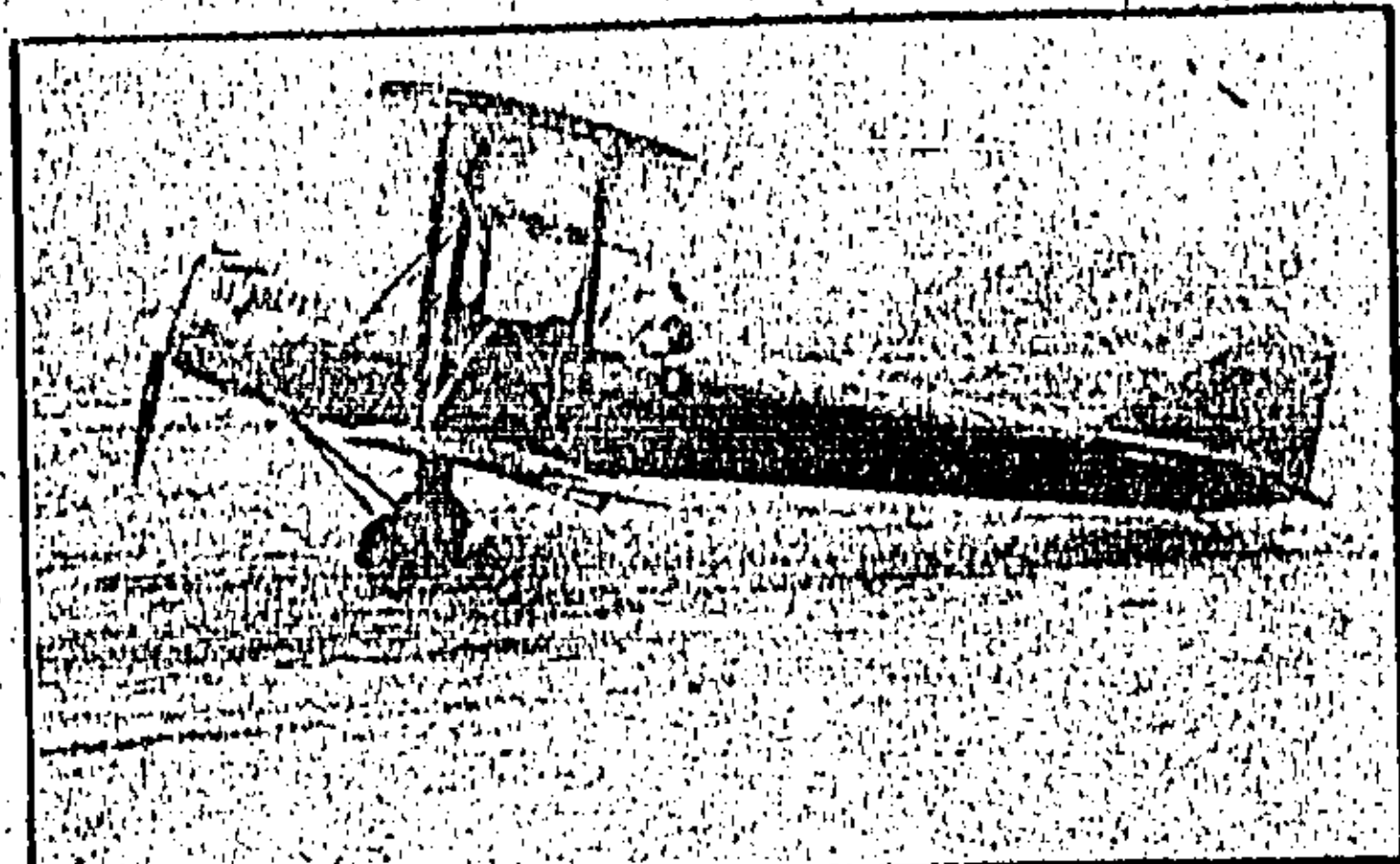
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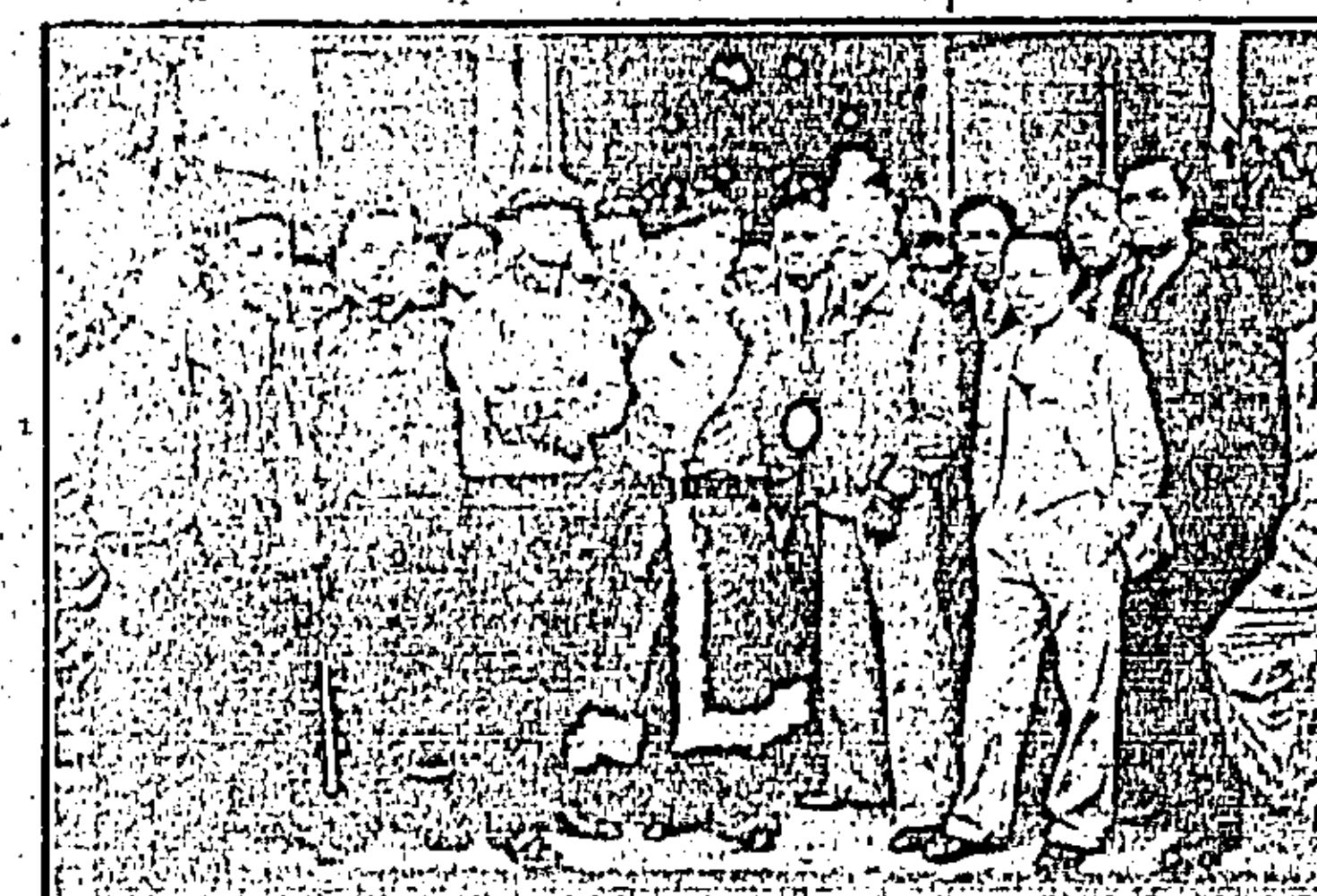
Christmas enterprise by the Sincere Company. Santa Claus photographed on his arrival at Kai Tak.



Howe, the champion goal scorer to date, goes through to score his second goal against the Army in the Lal Vah Cup competition last Saturday. The Civilians won by 5 goals to nil of the Army. Howe, who scored four.—(Ying Ming.)



Mr. Wong Kwong-tin kicking off and thus opening the Chinese League which commenced last Saturday.—(Ying Ming.)



Santa Claus arrives at Sincere and causes a momentary suspension in that great store's activities whilst a photograph is taken of the visitor and the Sincere staff.



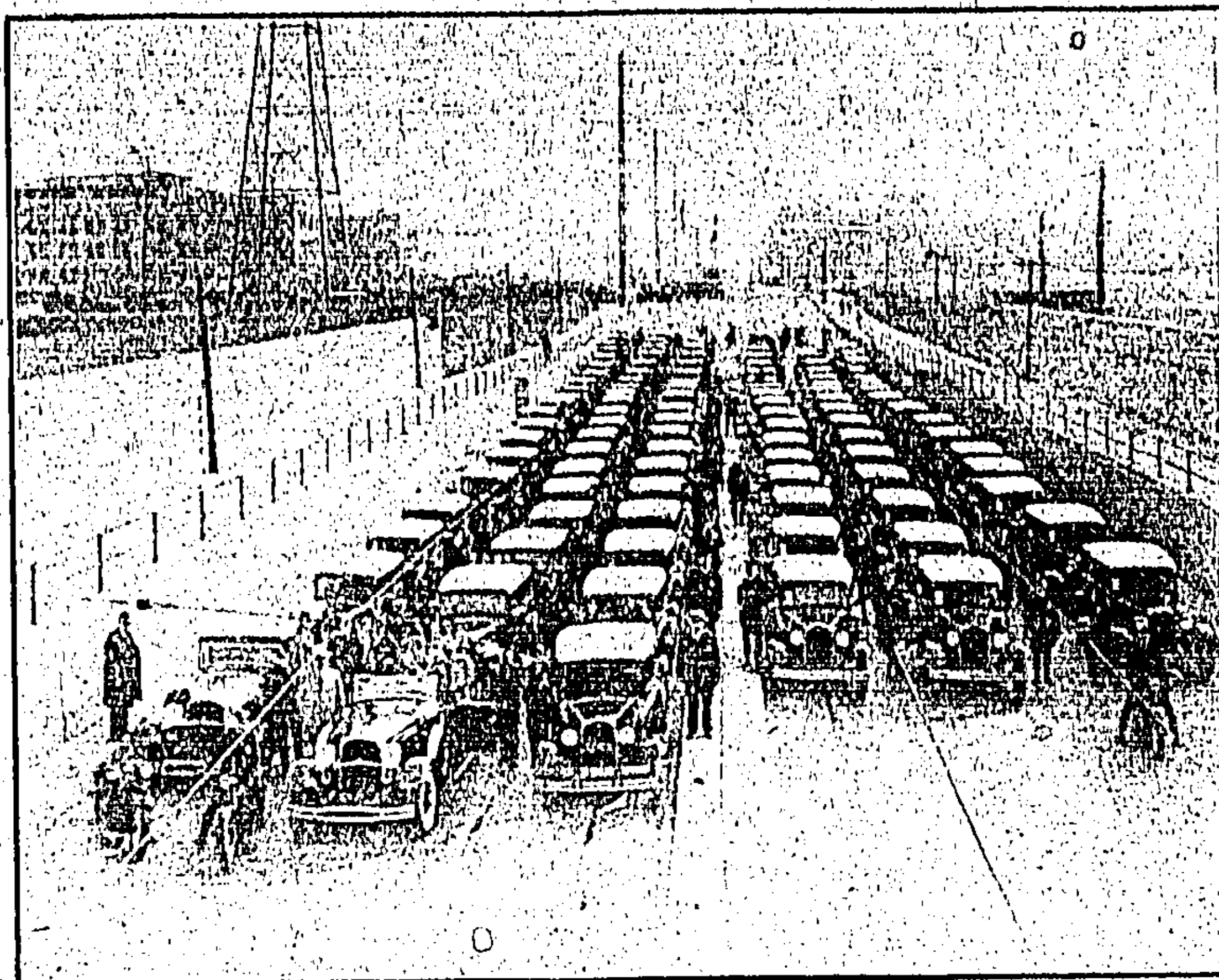
An encouraging moment in "Daddy Long Legs," the Fox triumph, now appearing at the King's Theatre with Janet Gaynor and Warner Baxter in the leading roles.



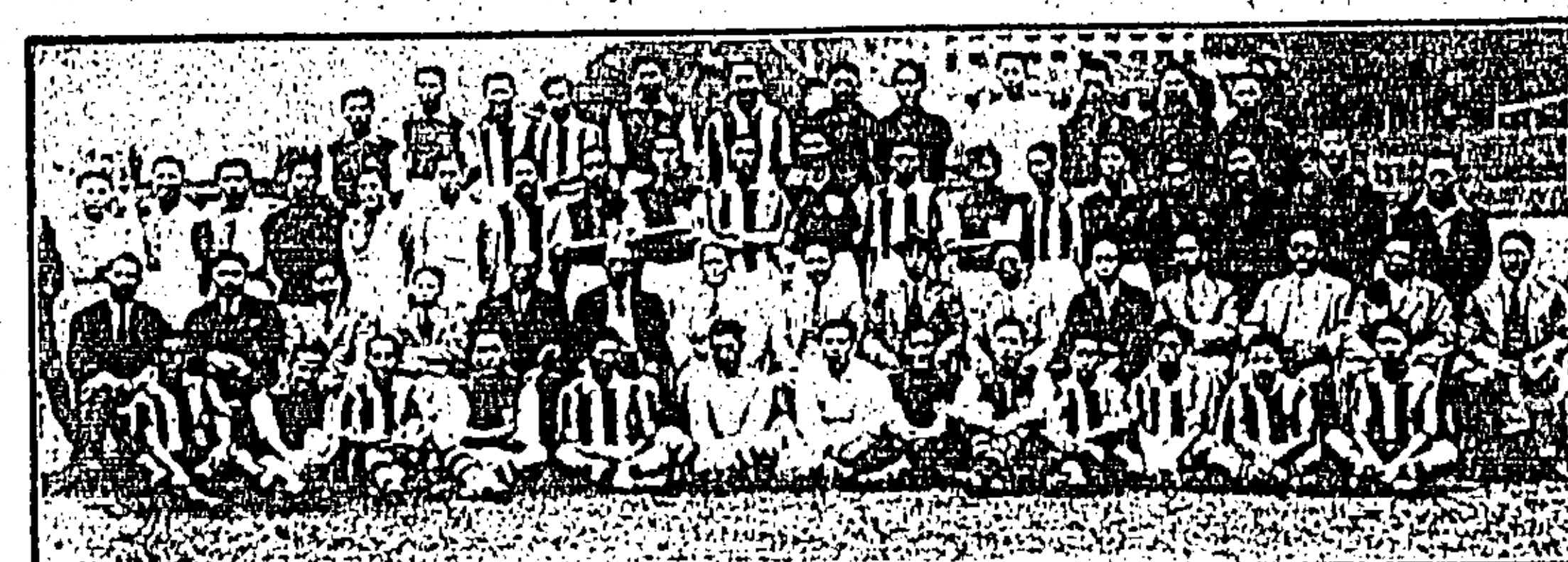
Janet Gaynor scores another personal triumph in the Fox production, "Daddy Long Legs," now appearing at the King's Theatre.



A group of Sincere's staff taken shortly after the arrival of Father Christmas at the Kai Tak Aerodrome.



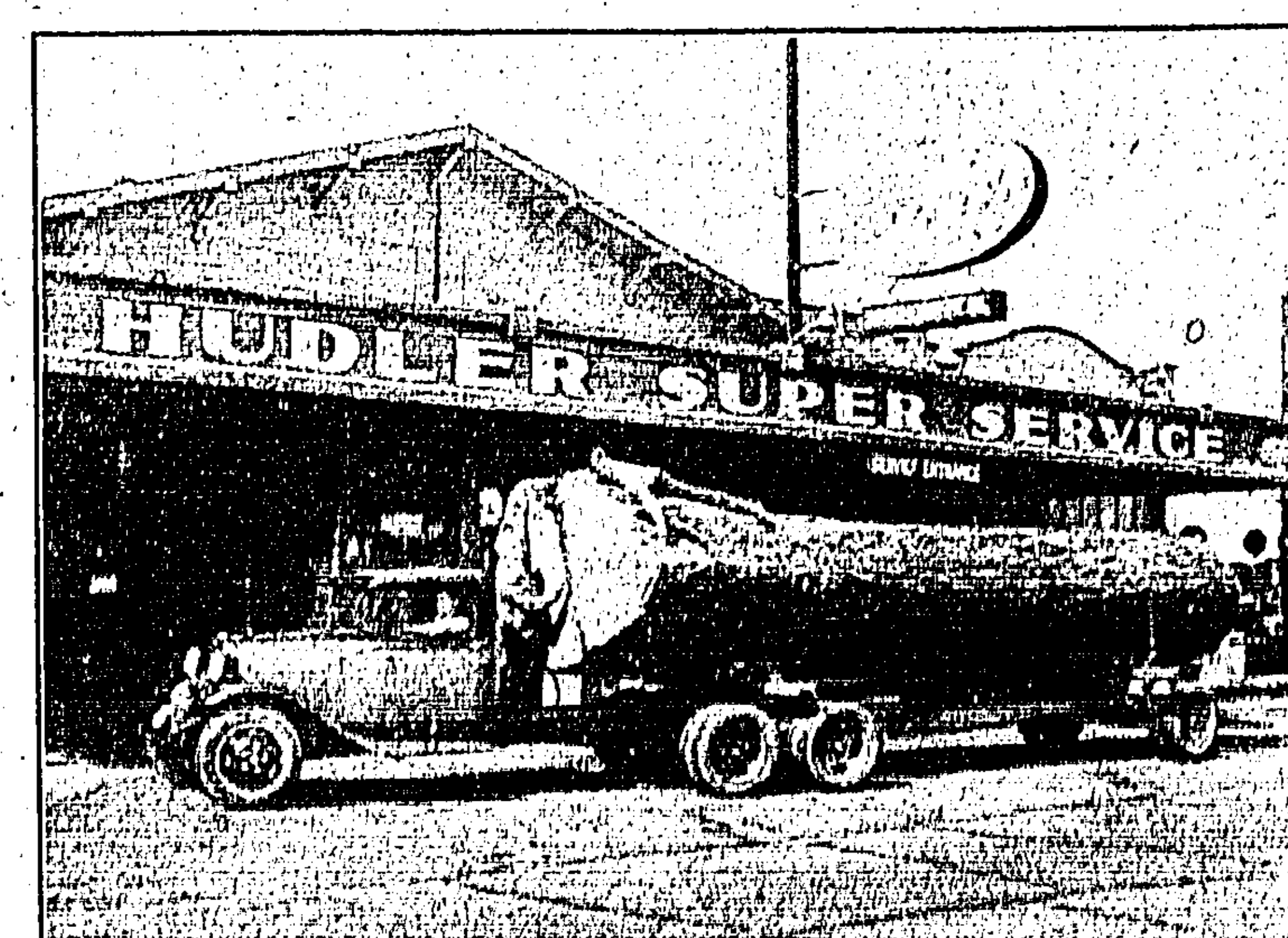
137 new Ford cars were delivered to the City of Detroit at one time. This is probably the largest delivery ever made of automobiles to a municipality on one day. The Ford Motor Company general offices may be seen on the left. Note the "Twenty Millionth" Ford in the centre.



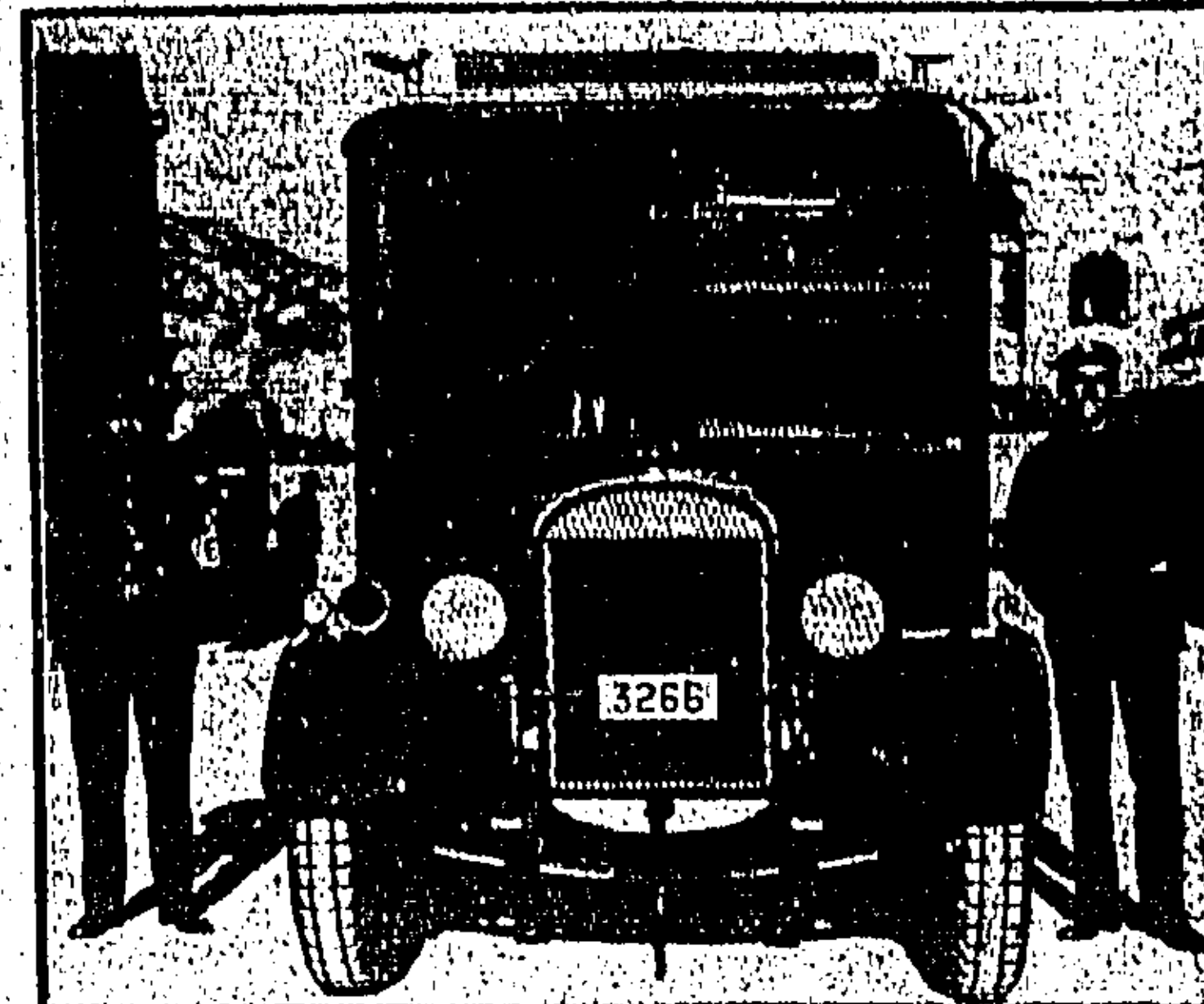
The Chinese League, which was the sequel to the withdrawal of the Chinese Clubs from membership of the Hong Kong Football Association, was officially opened by Mr. Wong Kwong-tin last Saturday. Above are the four teams which participated in the first two matches.—(Ying Ming.)



Madge Evans presents an adorable figure in her pretty garden. She is a Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer player with a big future staring her in the face.



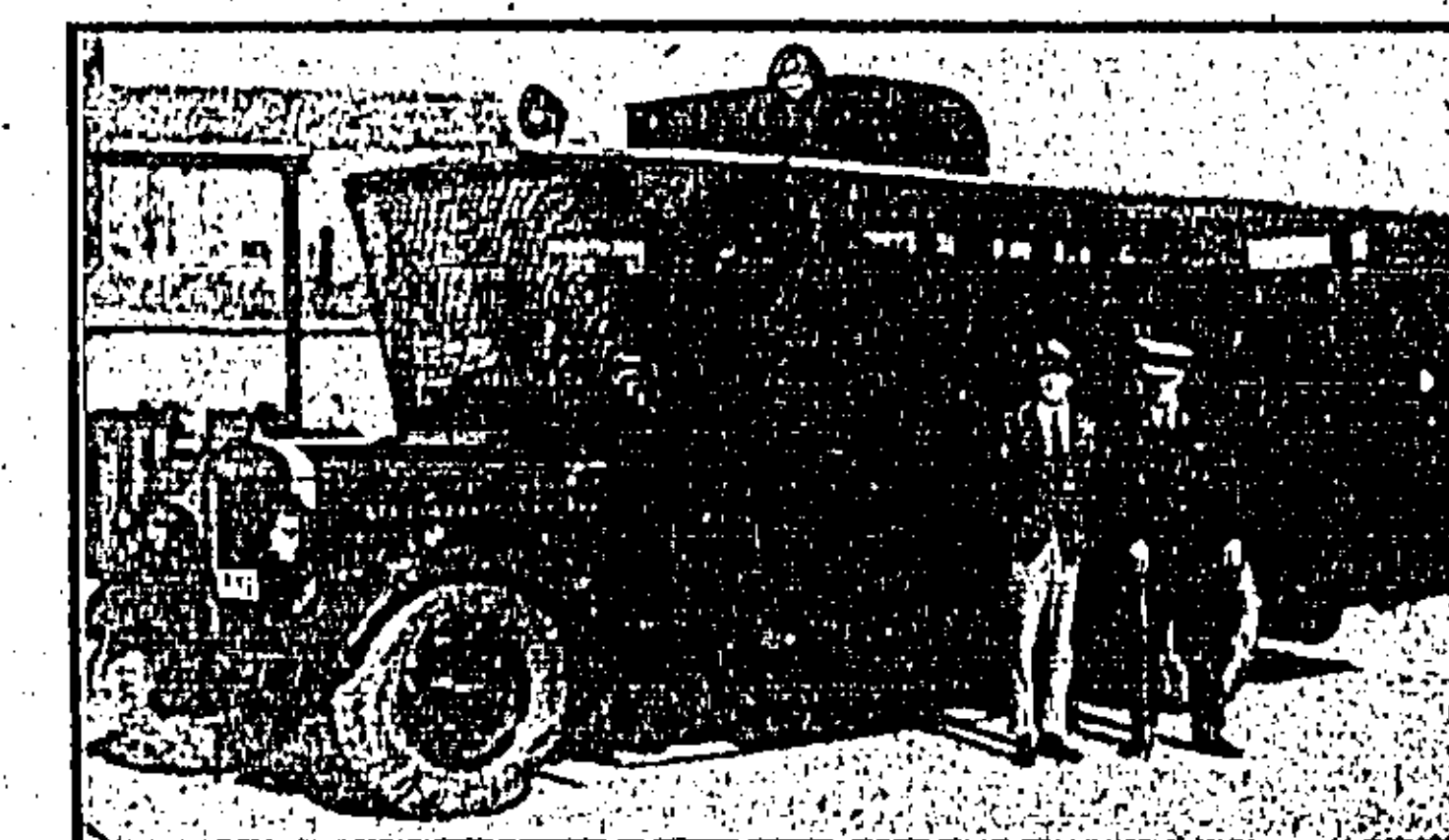
A Ford truck hauled this log, 74 inches in diameter, scaling 3,600 board feet. The total net weight on the truck and trailer was 12 tons.



View of the new Emergency Unit van showing the heavy protection for the driver. This vehicle when recently tested reached a speed of over 40 m.p.h. Sgt. Jessop and Traffic Sub-Inspector Mason are seen on either side of the car.—(Ying Ming.)



The Kowloon Emergency Unit with their van.—The observation post can be seen on top of the vehicle, and immediately in front, the two searchlights.—(Ying Ming.)



The designer of the new Emergency Unit van, Mr. C. D. Lambert, Chief Mechanical Engineer of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, and Mr. D. Darlington, D.S.P. (K.), photographed in front of the new vehicle which has just been completed.—(Ying Ming.)



Three squads of the Kowloon Emergency Unit, composed of eight Shantung men and 16 Indians and two drivers. The whole contingent is under the orders of Sgt. Jessop, who is seen on the extreme left.—(Ying Ming.)



Clark Gable, who is shortly to be seen in the Colony in one of Mladon's rising stars. He has already gained popularity in the West. He is now attacking the East with Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer productions.



Leaving the Union Church, William Bell and Miss Mary Munro after the marriage ceremony had been performed. The reception was held in the Hong Kong Hotel.—(Ying Ming.)



HONG KONG AND THE NEW TERRITORIES.—No. 40.

An Afternoon's Walk.

In view of the interest shown in walking in Hong Kong, an interest which attains a maximum in December and which wanes with dramatic suddenness in April, I give here a brief account of a visit to the island's most easterly peak and the return to Victoria Peak.

By tram-car to Shaikwan then up the pass to the top between Sai-wan hill and Mount Parker: from this point we left the road and took the turning to the left along a broad path which leads to a public cemetery. We did not follow this path to its end, as we were not interested in Chinese graves, but took the first turning to the right along a path which leads to Sai-wan Bay. Two paths lead away from this one—one at a stone on which the number 18 has been painted; another shortly after a foot bridge composed of two coffin-panels. We followed neither of these, but kept to the left and descended to the village in the middle of the bay and followed the shore south-east. At the angle of the Bay where the coast line curves to run N. E. are a few ruined houses. On these we observed *Ficus repens* and *Brachyphyllum calcicum* (two of the plants mentioned in the last Notes), and also a number of tobacco plants in full flower.

We followed the path which keeps to the coast for a bit and then crosses a headland and descends to a small bay called Ma-tong Bay. Neither of these two bays is good for shells. We noticed a few *Trochus* (conical shell, side view like an equilateral triangle) and a few small *Cowries*, but nothing much else.

From this small bay the path zigzags up the promontory to the west and comes to an end at the Cape Collinson light-house. Here, last Sunday afternoon, we lay on the rocks at the top of the cliff and gazed over our good fortune; whilst eating our sandwiches we admired the view. Junk Bay contained many junks and two steamers passed us; below, the Pacific swell broke on the rocks with a dull reverberating boom. After lunch we retraced our steps for a hundred yards or so, then climbed the ridge

and along it and up to the top of Mount Collinson. Whilst on the ridge we observed an eagle soaring above Tathong Channel; presently it flew over Cape d'Agulhar and disappeared. It was almost without doubt the White-bellied Sea Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucogaster*), and we were thrilled to see it. At the top of the Peak we lay in the sun and watched a pair of buzzards hovering and flying overhead. Buzzards are larger birds than kestrels and sparrow hawks and have round wings. In this species (probably *Buteo lagopus pallidus*) the lesser wing coverts are mottled greyish and white, producing a light wing patch which can be seen, without the aid of binoculars, at a considerable distance. Two other large hawks flew overhead whilst we were sunning ourselves; they had pointed wings and appeared to be very dark in colour; they flew straight on over Kowloon Bay and disappeared in the distance. We were unable to recognise the species. I suppose that in Hong Kong and the New Territories there are many more different species of hawks and their relatives than in any area of a similar size in the United Kingdom: the pity is that we know so little about them.

The Return to Victoria Peak.

From Mount Collinson we descended west to the gap between this mountain and Pottinger Peak. Here we joined the path, (leading down to the south to Big Wave Bay), and continued in a westerly direction along the path on the north slope of Pottinger Peak till it joined the main road at its junction with the Shek-O road. Up a steep corkscrew path on the other side to the southern shoulder of Mount Parker and then a slight descent to the extreme south-eastern end of the Tai-tam catchwater. We followed this catchwater to Tai-tam reservoir and then continued along the path to Wong-nel-chong gap. From there we returned to the Peak via Black's Link (south of Mount Nicholson and north of Mount Cameron), Coombe Road, Hall's Steps, and Severn Road.

The Chinese Silver-eye.
Whilst walking down Hatton

Road on the morning of December 18, I observed a flock of twenty or more of the Chinese Silver-eye, or White-eye, (*Zosterops s. simplex*). This is a little bird about four inches long, green above, breast and sides grayish yellow, and with a very easily noticed white circle round the eye. In the afternoon besides the birds of prey already referred to, a beautiful male Daurian Redstart (*Phoenicurus a. aurorus*) caught our attention. The male of this species is brightly coloured, black and rich brown with prominent white patches on the wings. The Chinese Blue Magpie (*Urocissa o. erythrorhynchos*) seems to be increasing in numbers each year; one morning recently I saw in all more than 150 different birds. A noisy bird and strikingly coloured—red bill, forehead black, back blueish-slate, wings deeper blue, below black and white with a bluish tinge and with the two central tail quills very much extended—this bird cannot be mistaken for any other species. This bird and its relative the Chinese magpie (*Pica p. sericea*), black and white in colour with bluish iridescence, have the reputation of killing and devouring young birds, but the damage they do in this manner is probably counterbalanced by the fact that they kill and eat snakes (even cobras) quite fearlessly. The local Black-eared Kite (*Mitrus lineatus*) also helps to keep the number of snakes within reasonable limits.

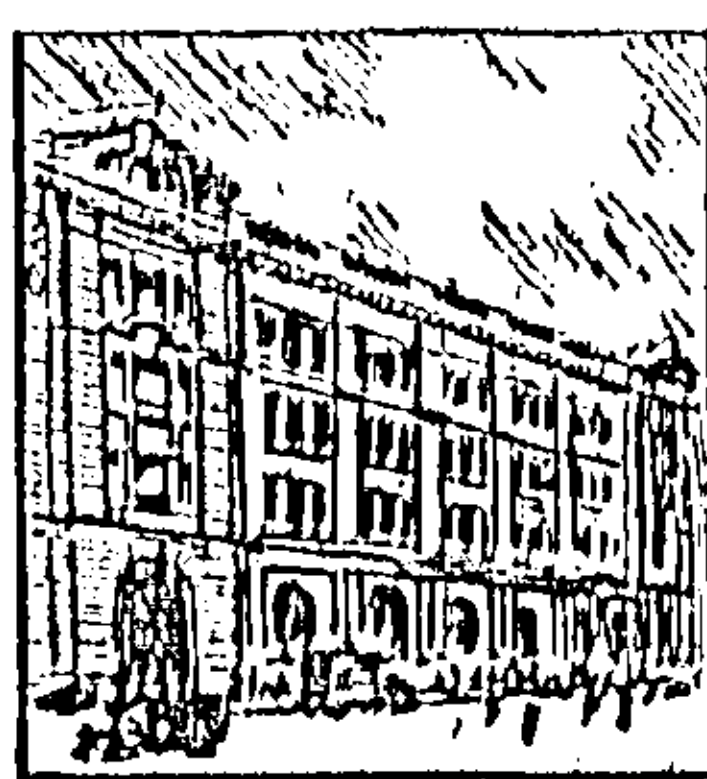
FREE VACCINATION.

Number vaccinated—free of charge—by members of St. John Ambulance Brigade, up to and including Thursday, December 17—Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Hong Kong)

King's College (Old)	3,215
King's College (Present)	1,143
Railway	7,585
Indian	1,009
Kowloon	1,715
Mongkok	2,865
Shaikwan	17,441
Chinese Y.M.C.A. (Kowloon)	672
Chinese Athletic Association	10,869
Motor Drivers	607
Total	59,819

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His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint the following officers to be two of his Honorary Aides-de-Camp, with effect from December 15, 1931—
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Lieutenant James Cunningham Church, Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders.



OUR LONDON LETTER.

London, Nov. 24.
Not since Mr. Asquith crowned his career by becoming the Earl of Oxford and Asquith has any new peerage aroused so much interest as that of Mr. Snowden. The scene in the House of Lords tomorrow afternoon, when the ex-Chancellor of the Exchequer is formally introduced, will be among the most memorable of modern times.

Like Mr. Asquith, Mr. Snowden has always been regarded essentially as a House of Commons man, and it will doubtless be some time before he accustoms himself thoroughly to the very different atmosphere of the Upper Chamber. It is certain, however, that his presence will add lustre to the assembly.

At No. 11.
Though Mr. and Mrs. Snowden have now moved to their new flat in Carlisle Mansions, Downing Street has not yet quite settled down to the new regime, and will not do so until Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin become the Prime Minister's neighbours at No. 11.

Mrs. Baldwin is at present busy supervising the arrangements for removal from her home in Brook Street, which she hopes will take place early in December. It is not generally known, by the way, that both No. 10 and No. 11 are "officially" furnished by the Government, although the "tenants" usually wish to have some of their own belongings.

The Prince's Pudding.
One always looks forward to the jolly little ceremony at the Albert Hall this afternoon—the stirring in public of the Prince of Wales's Empire Christmas pudding, which will find its way to many poor homes in a few weeks' time. All the necessary ingredients for a ten-ton pudding, prepared to the recipe of the King's chief, have been given by the High Commissioners of the Dominions and Colonies that produce the fruits and other good things.

The Royal example of insisting upon an "all-British Christmas" is particularly encouraging this year, when so much depends upon public response to the "Buy British" movement.

Scots Wha Hae.
The Archbishop of Canterbury has been chosen very happily to propose the toast "Scotland, Our Native Land," at the dinner which the London Scots are giving in honour of the Prime Minister on Thursday. There is surely nothing more appropriate than that the two most eminent living Scots should be side by side on this unique occasion, and with Dr. Lang, Mr. MacDonald, Mr. John Buchan, Sir Robert Horne, and other speakers in their best form, the flow of eloquence should be irresistible.

I hope, however, that the Sassanach guests, of whom there will be quite a brave number, will not feel too embarrassed.

Musical Genius.
I have more than once drawn attention to the genius of the Lancashire self-taught musician, William Walton, who is hitting the high spots with his compositions. To-morrow his new choral work "Belshazzar's Feast," will be given by the B.B.C. Orchestra and chorus under Dr. Boulton at Queen's Hall. This will be the first London performance, for the actual first performance was at the Leeds Festival, under Dr. Malcolm Sargent. The work made a tremendous impression then.

It is—and even a study of the score makes this clear—a terrific achievement, being destined to rank with the great choral compositions of Britain.

World Football.
People to whom I have talked about the scheme put forward by

BOY SCOUTS.

St. Andrew's Troop As Hosts.

BARNES CUP PRESENTED.

A social gathering, at which the Scouting spirit was fostered, was held in the St. Andrew's Church Hall on Friday evening, when members of the 1st Kowloon (St. Andrew's) Troop of Boy Scouts were hosts to friends, old boys of the troop, and members of other troops. The large gathering included the Commissioner and Deputy Camp Chief (the Rev. G. T. Waldegrave), Mr. C. Champlin (Deputy Commissioner), the Rev. N. V. Hatward, M.C. (Assistant Commissioner for Training Camp), the Rev. W. Walton Rogers (Vicar), Mrs. Rogers, and Scoutmaster R. Dormer. Opportunity was taken for the presentation of the Barnes Cup, which had been competed for by the patrols of St. Andrew's Troop on December 10 and 16, with Mr. J. I. Barnes (donor of the trophy), Mr. G. C. Poxon, Mr. D. Marshall, and the S.M. and A-S-M as examiners. The competition took the form of inspection, stave drill, signalling, pathfinding (general knowledge of Hong Kong and Kowloon), knotting, and ambulance.

Kangaroo Patrol Win.

After games had been keenly indulged in, and refreshments had been served, members of the Troop gave an entertainment, but prior to this, the S.M. called on Mrs. Rogers to present the Barnes Cup to the winners of the competition—the Kangaroo Patrol—and the Armstrong Trophy (presented by the Rev. E. A. Armstrong, late Commissioner for Scouts in Kowloon) to the runners-up—the Lions Patrol. The trophies were received by Patrol Leader F. Wong and Patrol Leader E. MacNider, respectively, amid applause.

The result of the competition was as follows—Kangaroos Patrol 325 (Continued in next Column.)

Brigadier-General Critchley, Vice-Chairman of the Greyhound Racing Association, for a football tournament open to the world, to be held at the White City, London, with a prize of £5,000 for the winning club, welcomed the idea warmly. Now that football has become such a popular game on the Continent and in the United States and Canada, there seems to be no logical reason why a real international championship, similar to that in tennis, golf, and boxing, should not be instituted. And London is obviously the centre for such a contest.

entitled "The Burglar's Dilemma," which also proved extremely humorous.

Major J. Cassell, an experienced traveller, spoke on "Trade Follows the Flag," in the course of which he recounted thrilling experiences during elephant hunts in Africa. The speaker remarked that he had proved that the flag follows trade.

Major Cassell was warmly applauded. The Vicar thanked Major Cassell for his talk, and also expressed thanks to Mr. Dormer, who always took such deep interest in St. Andrew's Scout troop, in providing such excellent entertainment.

Hearty cheers were accorded Major Cassell, and the visitors, and on the call of the Commissioner, cheers were returned for St. Andrew's Troop.

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points; Lions Patrol 319 points; Swifts Patrol 297 points; and Eagles Patrol 297 points.

Second P.L. Tony Sanh was also presented with a Healthymen's Badge. Cheers were then called for Mrs. Rogers.

Rising to the occasion, the S.M. (Mr. Dormer) sang a musical monologue about the Barnes Cup, which was very humorous. Next the S.M. recited a modernised version of "Romeo and Juliet" which all thoroughly enjoyed.

Farical Tragedy.
As a variety, the S.M., Second P.L. Sanh, and Scouts Gascolgne, "Tubby" Hogbin, and Jimmy Winyard, presented a farical tragedy, on till the last girl finished. The event proved most amusing and exciting.

Tap Dancing.

The tap dancing, to the tunes of "Sunny Boy" and "Nights of Gladness," was given a warm hand, whilst the boys of the School revelled in tumbling—in other words, somersaulting. The girls were responsible for three pyramids, the second of which was remarkably well constructed.

A Balloon Dance was appreciably received. In the finale called "D.G.S.," the whole school participated, and it was executed with accuracy.

GIRLS AT PLAY.

Physical Culture at the D. G. S.

A TEST OF MUSCLE.

Miss F. J. Lee, B.P.E., and pupils of the Diocesan Girls' School, Kowloon, are to be heartily congratulated on the excellent demonstration of physical education or culture, which they gave yesterday. There was a large crowd of enthusiastic spectators, and every item on the programme, twelve in all, was well received. Alertness and general smartness were features of the event.

The kindergarten children opened the display, and this was followed by Swedish gymnastics, performed by the girls of forms 1, 2, and 3. This number involved a series of extremely difficult movements, one being back bending over a low form, with the head and feet touching ground on either side. The exercises showed movement of every limb in the body—an excellent recipe for those who want to keep fit!

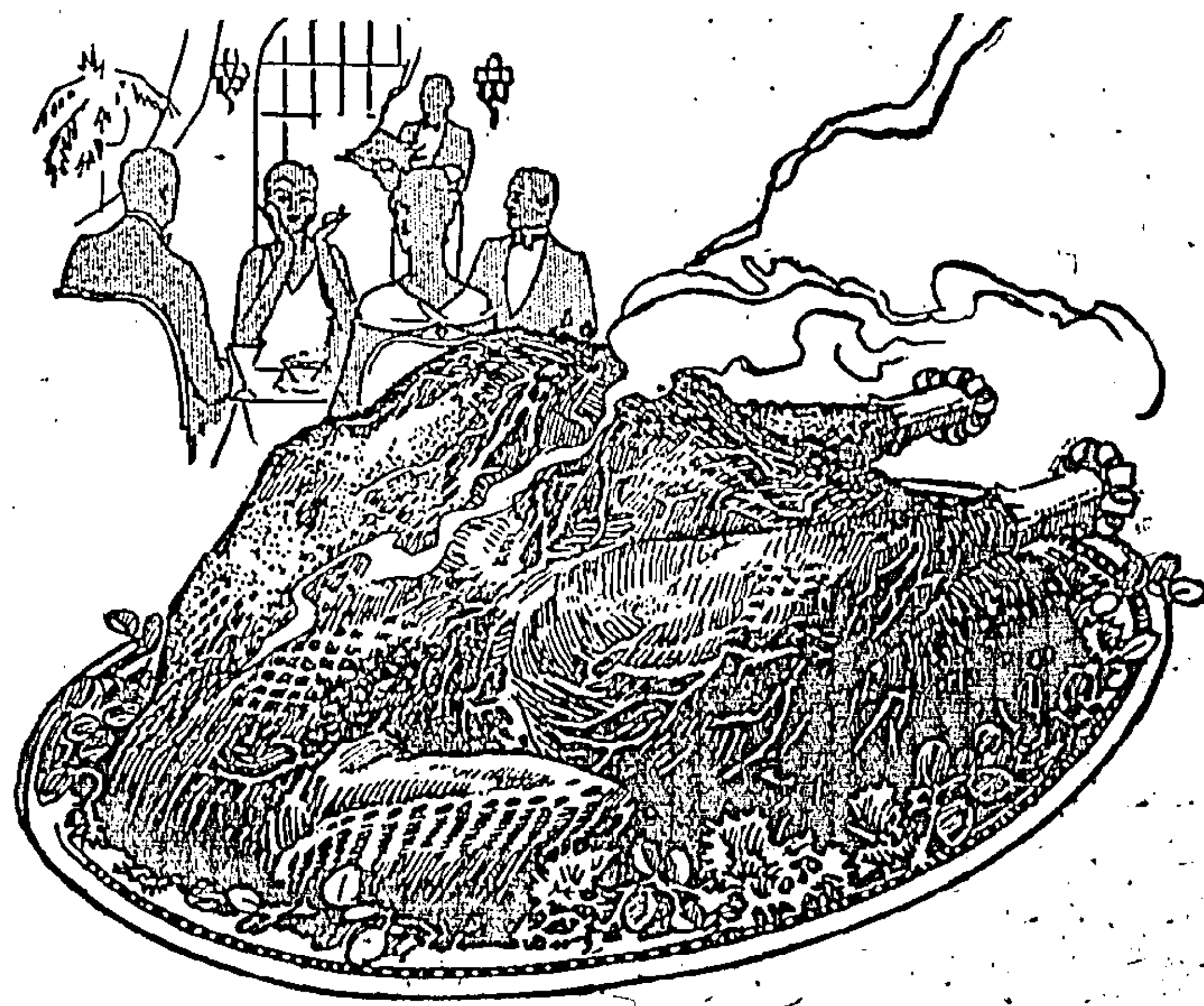
At Olympia!
The third item, entitled "A Mimetic Olympic," by class 4, was excellently done. After getting into position, the drillers literally took one to the Olympic sports. Their actions depicted every form of sport. These included rowing, wood chopping, golf, throwing the discus, fencing, archery, diving, swimming, baseball, shot-put, and a 60-yard dash. Every muscle was given exercise in this.

Form 6 were responsible for tactics, whilst Form 6 scored highly with simple wand exercises. The Primary Lesson's wooden doll drill was also well done.

English Folk Dances.

English folk dances opened the second half of the programme. The best was the Kirkby-Maltard sword dance—an extremely difficult number—which the performers carried out well. The ribbon dance was both pretty and graceful.

Games were provided by Form 5 remove, these being the zig-zag circle ball, wand ball-roll race, and strip relay. The first needed careful judgment, the second a keen eye, and the third—don't be misled! They did not strip, no indeed! Instead, each girl had to open a basket, and from it extract a scarf, a felt hat, and a pair of wooden clogs. On wearing these the girl ran about thirty yards, took off the "extra" apparel, put them into the basket again, and ran back. The second girl repeated this, and so (Continued at foot of preceding column.)



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A Road Hog's Creed.

"Birth and death, uncontrollable as they are, should be left to the discretion of individuals. I do not care to toot my horns to save a life. I do not derive any thrill in applying my brakes. I do not find any satisfaction in getting out of the way for another car on the right side of the road. I do not concern myself with the well-being of another person's body and soul. I believe in no traffic regulations, and traffic 'cops' are a nuisance. I believe in liberty to drive as I please."

The foregoing may well be described as the creed of Hong Kong's army of public motor vehicle drivers. To test the truth of this one has only to loiter for a few minutes outside the World Theatre at about 11.30 p.m., and also outside the hotels at closing time (midnight). But before you start out, see that your nerves are well strung and that your affairs are in order.

The attention of our Traffic Police is cordially invited!

Where's the Red Ensign.

In Great Britain still holding the biggest share of the sea-borne commerce of the world? This is the pertinent question which occurs to any thinking man everytime he looks out into the harbour. There he may see ships, from a tramp to a modern ocean liner, but the pity is that the most frequent flag to be seen is not the Red Ensign.

That Britain should continue to hold a practical monopoly of the sea-borne commerce of the world is not to be expected. The fear is that through too much self-confidence she may neglect her interest in mercantile shipping, that she may wake up too late to find the most profitable portion of what remains gone beyond recovery.

History tells us that nearly a century ago, Great Britain was largely dependent on outsiders for the conveyance of her goods to and from China, and the manner in which she raised herself from the backward position in which she found herself during the 'fifties should be an everlasting object lesson to her.

There may be a few men still alive in China who remember that the principal portion of the tea, which in those days formed the main article of export from China to Europe, was carried in American clippers. In fact, we are in-

deed indebted to the United States for the loan of that word. In those days, too, nearly the whole of the coasting trade of China was carried in American and Continental ships.

Bigger Subsidies Wanted.

The War did much to retard Britain's shipping and allowed America to steal a march over her. Japan is also coming to the forefront, while Britain has so far done nothing to regain her former position.

The opinion of the taipan of a local shipping company is that Britain should grant bigger subsidies to British shipping companies; in the same way as American companies are assisted by the U.S. Government. Until that is done, British shipping must lag behind others.

New Po Leung Kuk.

With the completion of the Po Leung Kuk's new building at Leighton Hill Road about the middle of February, Hong Kong may well boast of another architectural triumph. This imposing building is of two storeys, and stands on an area of 87,000 square feet of land, kindly given by the Government.

The Directors and Committee have spared no expense in making this edifice a monument to the civic spirit of the Chinese community. Although costing about \$100,000 for its construction work alone, the money, in the words of Mr. Yip Kin-fan, the present Director, is well spent considering the happiness it will bring to the unfortunate young woman who may have to seek its protection.

Occidental and Oriental architecture is harmoniously blended. The main gate entrance is a colourful Chinese pavilion, and a flight of steps leading off from this entrance will bring one to the garden where landscape gardening will be the keynote.

The front elevation of the building has a distinct touch of the occidental, and will be finished off in Shanghai plaster. On the ground floor will be found a classroom for the inmates, an office, waiting room, a committee room and a spacious reception hall. On the upper storey there are four wards with sufficient space for 100 beds. There are also a class room, a doctor's office and several bath rooms on this floor.

Inmates Well Treated.

Speaking to Mr. Yip Kin-fan, I was told that there are about 40 girls at present in the Po Leung Kuk. Some of them were sent there by the Police and some sought protection on their own accord.

These girls are well treated although they are not allowed to go about freely. A Chinese teacher is engaged to educate them, and instructions in needlework and other domestic science are also given.

The Po Leung Kuk, in addition to its humane work, also acts the part of a match-maker, but a very stern one. Opportunity and encouragement are freely given to anyone desirous of finding a wife among the inmates, but the aspirant suitor must first of all satisfy the guardians of his bona-fides.

I Heard It Said—

That Chinese footballers are most anxious that the Clubs to which they belong should withdraw their resignation from the I.K.F.A.

That Chinese bankers are of the opinion that the silver dollar will drop to 1/- again in February or March.

That a circus, probably the Harpiston's, will be visiting Hong Kong next month.

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Bridge

TO BID OR TO DOUBLE?

(By Frank England.)

THERE are many hands where a nice discrimination is called for in deciding whether to bid for game or double the opponents.

If, in these cases, one was certain of making game or certain of inflicting a heavy penalty, no difficulty would arise, but one rarely can be sure on either point.

The higher the adverse bid the easier, of course, it is to estimate the probable penalty. Free doubles of a high contract generally suggest themselves, but doubling a bid that, if successful, gives the opponents game is a ticklish matter.

Generally speaking, no heavy penalties can be gathered unless there is a flaw in the opponents' bidding, except in the case of a freak distribution. Partner's bidding must be sound and faulty bidding there may be, attributed to the opponents.

If partner is a notoriously unsound bidder it is better to refrain from doubling the contract from your own hand. However, there is no necessity for bad bidding by the opponents to yield a penalty.

Circumstances may be such as to justify a bid which, in the result, may be heavily punished, and such chances should not be missed.

The following two examples from actual play illustrate the advantage of doubling a low bid by the opponents.

At Contract—rubber game—North-South 70, East-West 60. North dealt and bid One Heart. East No. South No. West One South Two Hearts. West No. No Trump. North No. East No. North No. East Two No Trumps. South held:

Spades 10, x, x
Hearts A, x
Diamonds A, J, x, x
Clubs 10, x, x, x

What should he now say? South should reason as follows, writes Frank England in The Evening Standard:—

North is known to be a sound

original bidder. West also is a conservative bidder. East is inclined at times to take a chance. North's original bid should mean 2½ quick tricks (perhaps more), one at least of which must be in an outside suit. His Hearts, if headed by K, Q, should include the 10, and if headed by K, J or Q, J, should be a suit of five. With an opening lead of Hearts four tricks in Hearts are a practical certainty. South must make a Diamond trick and North must have one or two outside tricks.

Although South's hand does not look formidable, a double of Two No Trumps must be a certainty and should yield at least 600, possibly 1,000, points. Three Hearts may not be made, as North is not strong enough to rebid the suit, and so the double here is certainly the better proposition. In actual play South doubled, but North did not fancy it and overbid with Three Hearts, which was doubled, and went down one trick. The double of Two No Trumps would have yielded 1,000 points as against a loss of 200. Turnover in favour of East-West 1,200. The four hands were:—

North.
Spades A, Q, x
Hearts K, 9, x, x, x
Diamonds K, x, x
Clubs x, x, x

East.
Spades K, x, x
Hearts Q, J, x
Diamonds Q, 10, x, x
Clubs K, Q, x

West.
Spades J, 9, x, x
Hearts 10, x, x
Diamonds x, x
Clubs A, J, x, x

South.
Spades 10, x, x
Hearts A, x
Diamonds A, J, x, x
Clubs 10, x, x, x

And who can say that East's Two No Trumps was not a fair gamble at the score?

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MOTORING SECTION

HONG KONG, DEC. 20, 1931.

THE BABY CARS.

Expensive Coach-work
for Low-priced Cars.
INDIVIDUALITY SATISFIED.

The Home papers are still full of the Motor Show. There appears to be no doubt about it that the outstanding feature of it was the success of the baby cars, which, as one writer says, are fitted with coachwork of surprising roominess. The new \$89 car shown by Rovers, attracted an enormous amount of attention. This car breaks quite new ground and, most probably, is the forerunner of other inexpensive cars. It is constructed on an orthodox line, yet has the standard appearance. The air-cooled engine, the rear drive, and the independent springing of each wheel are all features which merely require coordinating by a competent engineer.

Another striking feature was the great advance made in coachwork. Mechanical improvements were few and far between, but practically every maker showed considerable improvement in his body work. The lowest-priced cars were often to be found with coachwork which is extremely expensive to produce, such as the pressed steel body. This type of body construction has tremendous advantages, and it is only possible to fit it to a low-priced chassis when these are turned out in great quantities. Another interesting coachbuilding development may be described as the alternative specialised body. The British buyer prefers a car with some individuality, and likes to own a car which differs somewhat from his neighbour's, although of the same make. This want is now met by some of the big body firms, who have standardised special bodies for well-known chassis, which sell at a reasonable price. Previously a special body was a somewhat expensive production, but by laying down a certain number at a time the coachbuilder can supply a distinctive body at a reasonable cost.

THE NEW FORD PLANE DE LUXE.

SHIPPED TO MANCHESTER.
Elaborate Decorations For High Speed Machine.

The most luxurious de luxe tri-motor club plane yet turned out by the Ford Motor Company aeroplane factory at Ford Airport, Dearborn, Mich., has just been shipped from Boston on an Oriole Line freighter to Manchester, England, for display by pilots of Ford Motor Company, Ltd., in Great Britain and on the Continent.

The club interior of the plane is finished in rich browns, greens and tans, the lower wall panels being of oriental walnut, with a decorative felze of British hunting scenes against a tan coloured background. Walnut panels between the windows are set off with a riding crop and horn against a similar background, while the relief panels on either side of the forward wall of the passenger compartment drapes of cerise harmonise with the other fittings.

The six club-type reclining chairs and a divan accommodating three persons are upholstered in dark green colonial grain leather. Lamps shaded with crystal glass light the cabin for reading, one lamp being fitted above each seat. Other interior fittings include an electric fan and a cupboard built into the forward wall of the luggage compartment which is located just to the rear of the passenger compartment. A lavatory, fully equipped, is reached by a door opening out of the cabin, adjoining the luggage space.

The plane is of the high speed type, with high wing which allows full head room throughout the cabin. Each of the three Wasp engines is fitted with an electric inertia starter. Other equipment includes an aperiodic compass. Compartments are installed in the wings for carrying 1,600 pounds of luggage. The plane has large auxiliary gasoline tanks to permit long aerial tours.

PROTECTION TO THE OWNER

Playing an important part in the choice of proper materials, the chemical laboratory of the Hupp Motor Car Corporation in reality serves as a protection to the hundreds of thousands of owners through a myriad of tests on materials.

Hupmobile's million dollar engineering building houses one of the most complete chemical laboratories to be found in the automobile industry. A nationally known metallurgist and chemist is in charge of the laboratory which was designed for the exhaustive testing of raw and finished materials entering into the production of Hupmobile cars. The fabrics that are used for tops and top linings, seat coverings,

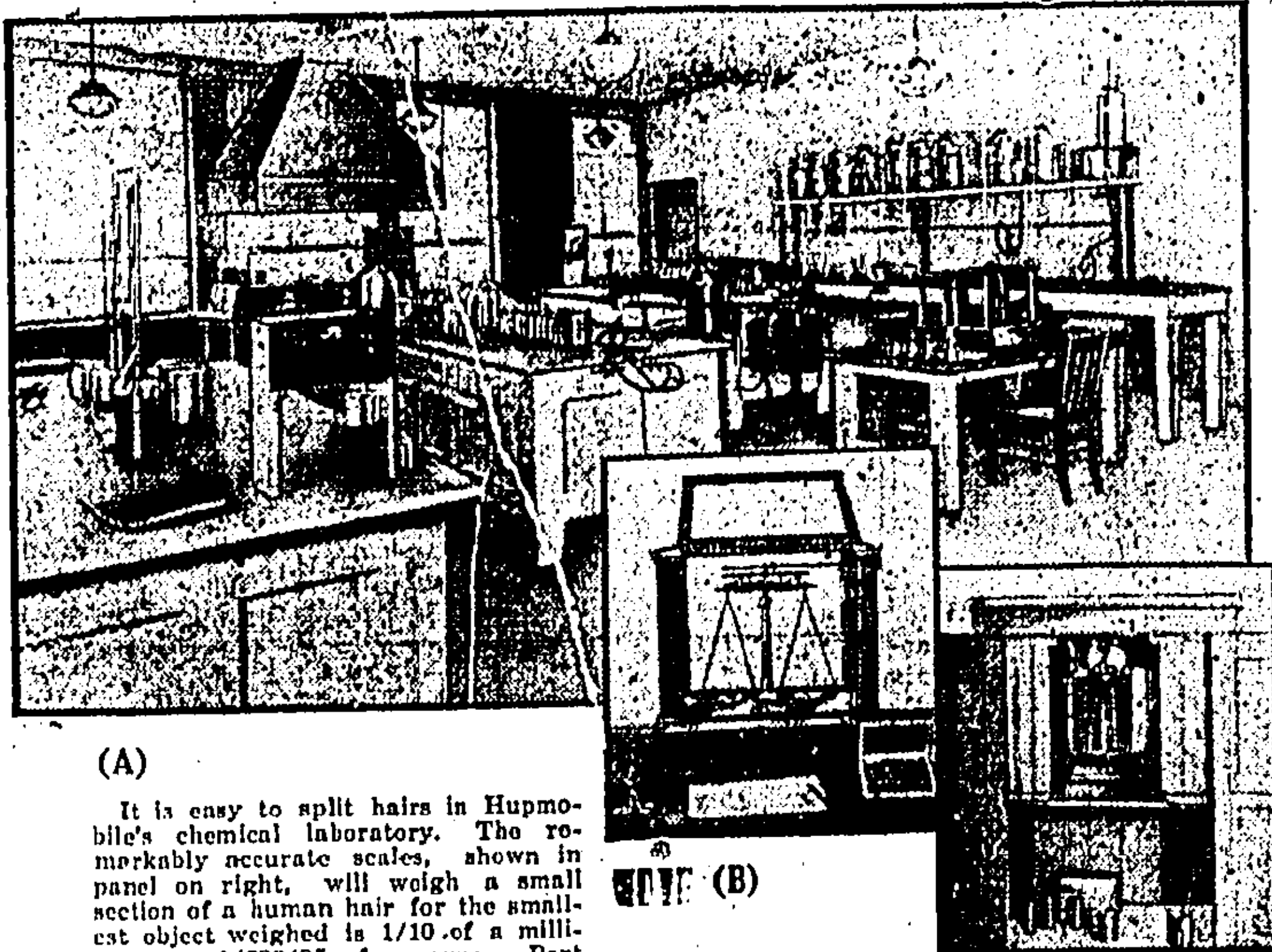
body linings, packing and in numerous other parts are tested for tensile strength, correct weave, wearing qualities, fastness of colours and their durability under prolonged illumination of unusual strength which is, in effect, concentrated sunlight. Certain materials, such as top fabrics that are exposed to the elements are likewise submerged in water for definite periods to determine their ability to withstand rain and other moisture.

Even the various paints and lacquers used are meticulously tested, and subjected to weather and erosion tests, not to mention heat and cold extremes.

Petrols are constantly being tested to determine their starting

Tests are now being conducted on the corrosive effects of several types of radiator compounds now being sold on the market as contrasted with the destructive effects of ordinary tap water.

Through the thousands of tests made each year, through the day to day record of these tests on raw materials and finished units, and through the elimination of unsatisfactory materials, Hupmobile has paved the way for satisfied ownership. Every beaker that is filled, every test tube that is heated, and every analysis made is assurance of the continued high quality which has earned for Hupmobile its phrase: "We Believe Hupmobile to be the Best Car of Its Class in the World."



(A)

It is easy to split hairs in Hupmobile's chemical laboratory. The remarkably accurate scales, shown in panel on right, will weigh a small section of a human hair for the smallest object weighed is 1/10 of a milligram or 1/253495 of an ounce. Part of the main laboratory is seen in the background.

(B)

The lower right insert shows an ordinary electric refrigerator being used to test congealing points of various lubricants.

"LIFE EXPECTANCY" OF THE AVERAGE CAR.

BRITAIN AND AMERICA.

Statistical Contention Gives Seven Years.

The motor trade has long sought a "yard-stick" by which it might determine the "life expectancy" of the average motor-car. Obviously, conditions of operation and use vary materially in the different countries that no completely accurate estimate can be given. However, in early 1931, efforts to arrive at this figure have been made in both the United States and Great Britain and, surprisingly enough, the evidence is that car life is practically the same in the two countries. The American compilation was made by the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, of New York, based on annual registrations, scrapages and increases in total operation figures. The British estimate was made by the magazine Motor Commerce, of London, the British motor trade authority, on similar information covering Great Britain. The two compilations were made entirely independently and, of course, refer to conditions and cars of these two countries. Strikingly enough, there has been a reduction in the annual life of the automobiles in each country, although far less pronounced in the United States than in Great Britain.

No attempt can be made, without more complete information than is now available, to ascertain the life span of cars in other countries. However, upon information compiled by Automovil Americano, the average life of an automobile in Argentina appears to approximate seven years. This deduction is based on the fact that in the seven years from 1924 to 1930, inclusive, imports of automobiles into Argentina totalled 417,087 cars and trucks and that operation on January 1, 1931, throughout the Republic, was 387,864 automobiles of all types. While this deduction is not conclusive, it corroborates the American experience that automobiles live nearly

WILLYS "SIX."

Wins Pike's Peak Race for Second Year.

STOCK-CAR CLASSIC.

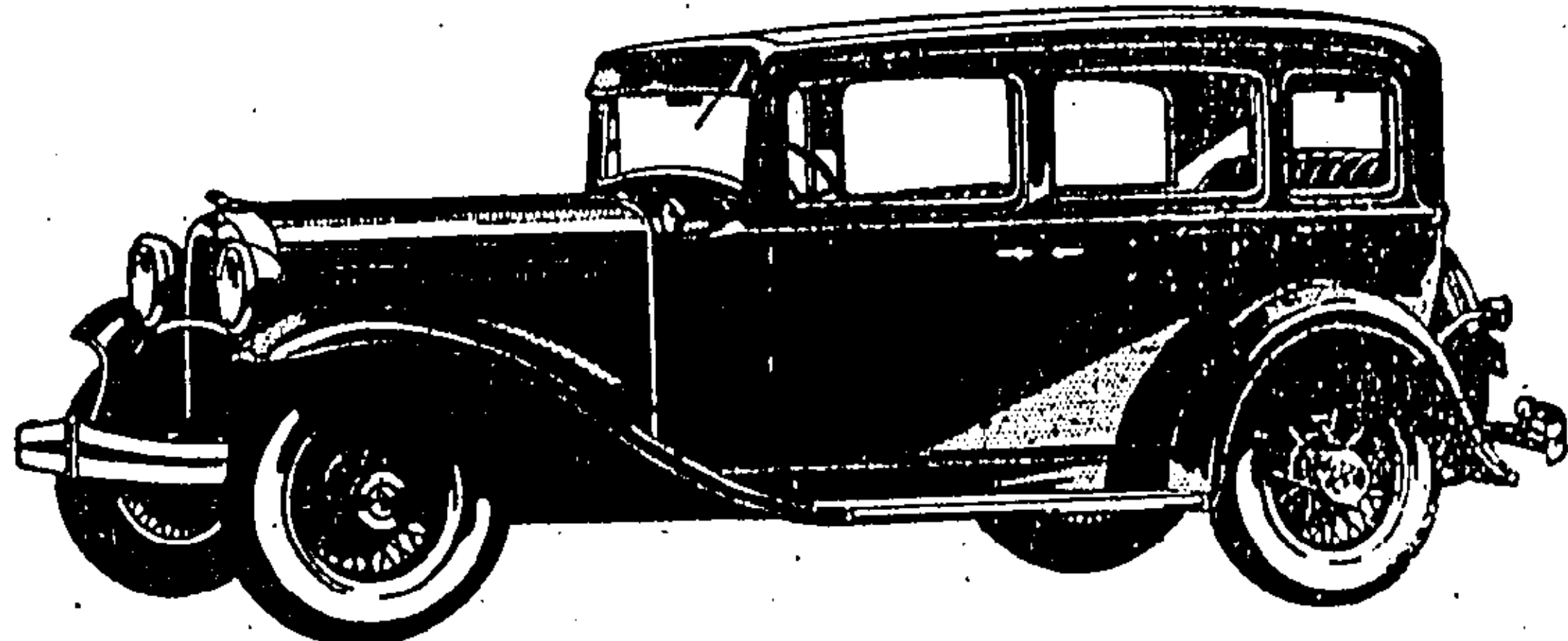
Racing over the historic Pike's Peak route from Crystal Creek Canyon to the heights of Pike's Peak, a stock Willys "six" roadster, has again captured the annual mountain climb. This race, known as American's greatest hill climbing classic, made history, for the Willys "six" repeated its performance of last year and won first and second places in the stock-car race.

In this test the Willys "six" made the thrilling 12.1/3 mile dash up the steep sides of the mountain with its 203 curves, in the remarkable time of 25 minutes, 9 3/4 seconds. The race was under supervision of the A.A.A.

Thousands of spectators lined the course to witness this thirteenth renewal of the famous race, which imposes the most strenuous demand on driver and engine. The fact that the cars are constantly climbing from the moment they leave the starting point at Crystal Creek Canyon, on up above the timber line, and the ever-changing altitude, tests to the fullest extent the efficiency of steady power development and brings reward to a car soundly engineered, and defeat to one less perfect.

By virtue of this victory the Penrose Trophy remains in the possession of Willys-Overland for another year.

seven years. Intricate calculations of yearly scrapage, registration increases, etc., were necessary to arrive at the results reported in both Great Britain and the United States. Space does not permit of reproduction of these calculations here but, as shown by these two sources, the statistical base of the contention that car life averages about seven years in each country, appears conclusive.



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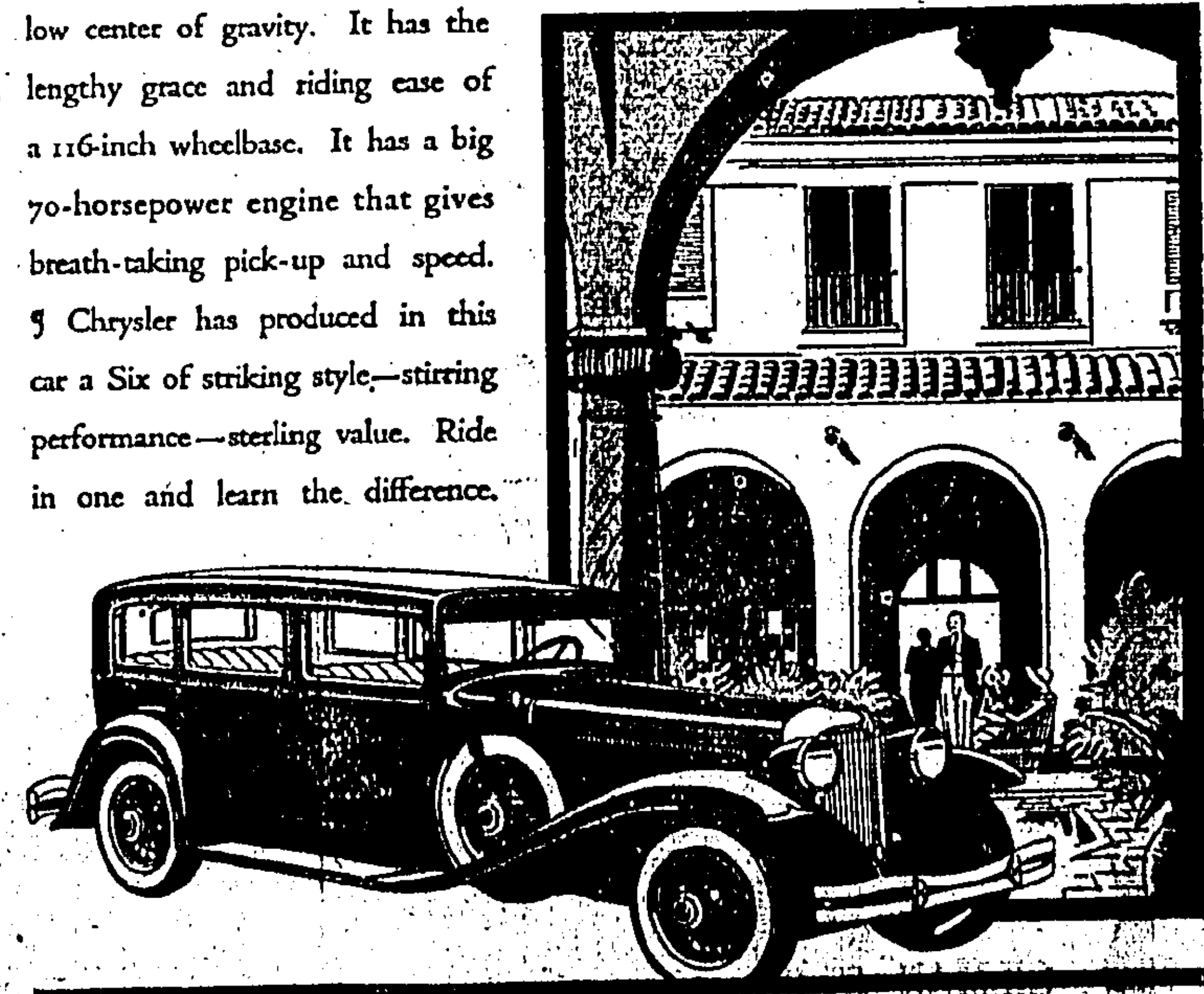
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EXPORT POSITION MORE STABLE

The present year has seen the British motor industry virtually maintaining, and in some respects, extending its successes. The British motor industry has held the position in the home and export markets which, in its particular case, has only been secured by persistent and determined efforts against difficulties which, but a few years ago, appeared to be almost insuperable.

The figures of British motor exports reflect, naturally, the worldwide economic position, but it is gratifying, nevertheless, to be able to report, that they also show that the export position is becoming more stable, and that conditions in one or two important markets can no longer so materially affect the general position.

Slow But Sure.

Entry is slowly but surely being made in markets which were formerly almost, if not entirely, closed to British vehicles.

The following table is an indication of the progress made:—

	Exports to Empire.	Exports to rest of World.
1922	2,206	835
1924	13,608	2,051
1926	28,951	3,427
1928	26,865	5,676
1930	25,749	4,112

For the seven months, January to July, 1931, the exports of British motor vehicles have amounted in number to 13,905.

In spite of these conditions, there is in almost every direction overseas an increasing desire to satisfy their transport needs by the use of motor vehicles manufactured in Great Britain.

New British Records.

Undoubtedly the most forceful example of this was given by the Rt. Hon. G. W. Forbes, P.C., Prime Minister of New Zealand, who recently said: "In the past, in the motor industry, we have had difficulties in obtaining precisely the cars and trucks we require from home, but from my own experience I can say that there has been a remarkable change recently, and today there is a range of cars and trucks of all sizes and prices to suit New Zealand conditions. To those about to buy I would ask you to give full consideration to British motor products."

British cars have, throughout the year, been giving the most convincing proof of their ability to create records, commencing with Sir Malcolm Campbell's success at Daytona, and culminating, to date, with the British successes in the fastest and most spectacular Tourist Trophy Race on the Ards Circuit, near Belfast, when a British light-car won at an average speed, for the 360 miles, of 67.90 m.p.h.

Increasing Interest.

Almost each mail brings from overseas further evidence of the increasing interest being shown in British motor vehicles, as the public realises that the virtue of road transport must always ultimately be a matter of economy of operation, and the manufacturers

at home are facing the future in a spirit of optimism, determined that, with a return to more normal world-trade conditions, the products of their factories shall, through their merits, and with the support and co-operation of overseas distributors and public, secure a position of pre-eminence in the motor markets of the world.

It was announced at Birmingham three weeks ago by Singer and Co., Ltd., the motor-car manufacturers, that the number of their employees had recently increased by nearly 1,000, and is still increasing. During September the number of cars sold was 120 per cent. greater than in the same month last year, while for the first week in October the increase was 25 per cent. The wages bill has gone up several thousand pounds.

The Riley "9" now holds the following international records:

50 kilometres	108.90 m.p.h.
50 miles	108.39 m.p.h.
100 kilometres	108.06 m.p.h.
100 miles	108.05 m.p.h.
1 hour	108.11 m.p.h.
200 kilometres	102.28 m.p.h.
2,000 kilometres	66.82 m.p.h.
3,000 kilometres	65.78 m.p.h.
4,000 kilometres	64.85 m.p.h.
1,000 miles	67.80 m.p.h.
2,000 miles	65.54 m.p.h.
24 hours	66.63 m.p.h.

Eyston's Tribute.

Apart from the difficulties normally associated with the maintenance of such high average speeds in a comparatively small car, Eyston, in securing the first six of these, had to contend with unkindly elements. A thunderstorm visited Montlhéry during the progress of the run, and heavy rain fell throughout its duration. In his report to the Riley Co., Eyston states that the engine functioned perfectly throughout, and was revving in excess of 6,000 r.m.p. during the whole run. The performance is the best of all possible tributes to Riley engine design, for it must be borne in mind that the 6,000 r.m.p. were obtained without the benefit of supercharging, and that the engine design is the same as that which permits such a wide margin of efficiency to the ordinary Riley owner-driver.

86,000 Miles.

The New South Wales Police recently "traded in" to the Morris depot in Sydney a Morris-Cowley touring model which had officially recorded 86,000 miles over two years' running. The car remained in excellent condition—a fact which was amply confirmed by an unbiased authority who immediately took it for a week-end run. The three salient points emerging from this expert's report were:—(1) steady cruising speed of 40 m.p.h.; (2) petrol consumption 26.5 m.p.g. (in spite of imperfect adjustment of carburettor and idling speed); (3) oil consumption 742 m.p.g.

Success Overseas.

Those pessimists who still persistently cry that the small British car is unsuitable for overseas, will be shocked by the news that in

ECONOMIC CONDITIONS IN SOUTH AFRICA.

HOME IMPORT TRADE THRIVES.

Japan Crashes Automobile Accessory Market.

In a report on economic conditions in South Africa just issued, Mr. N. Elmslie, H.M. Trade Commissioner in South Africa, states that the outstanding feature in the welcome increase in the percentage of import trade enjoyed by the United Kingdom in 1930 and maintained throughout the first quarter of 1931. Unfortunately, this is not due to definite gain over competitors, but to a heavier fall in value of imports in classes not normally supplied by this country. Foreign competition has not altered greatly in character or extent, except in the case of Japan, which has greatly increased her trade in both volume and range, and is now supplying an increasing variety of goods of a quality which appears to suit the market's requirements and at prices which no European country appears to be able to approach. In the heavy decline in the import of motor-cars, while the American imports fell off 64 per cent., those from the United Kingdom fell only 16 per cent.

AMPHIBIOUS VEHICLE FROM GERMANY.

CONVERTED IN 15 MINUTES.

Driven Exactly Same As When On Land.

Rough roads and steep hills offer no obstacles to modern automobiles and now the problem of crossing water is in a fair way of being solved, according to despatches from Germany.

Emil Gross, a young mechanic who lives in Berlin, has evolved an idea which may convert the motor car into an amphibious vehicle. He has demonstrated that with the special equipment he has constructed, an automobile can be converted into a seagoing hack in fifteen minutes.

At a recent test in Germany, a Chevrolet touring car was used for the experiment. Gross won applause from the crowds of spectators who saw him drive his Chevrolet through the water almost as easily as a motor-boat.

An inflated cushion at the front and one at the rear of the car and two inflated pontoons, one on each side of the body, were utilised to keep the vehicle afloat. The car was driven exactly the same as on land.

MORE COMFORT.

Cars With Independent Wheel Springs.

The motor-car with individual wheel springs, which allows each wheel to rise and fall independently when encountering uneven road surfaces, has arrived, writes a Home motoring correspondent.

Two such models made their bow to the public in mail week. One is the British new U.S.A. light car of 8 h.p. with a front wheel drive and independent front springs. The other is the new French Derby car of 9 h.p. with a four-cylinder engine and a chassis incorporating a new principle of front wheel drive and independent rear springing.

These rivals in front wheel drives and independent wheel springing were on view at the private car exhibition, which opened at Olympia on Oct. 15. They were staged in their stripped chassis form and with two seater and saloon coachwork.

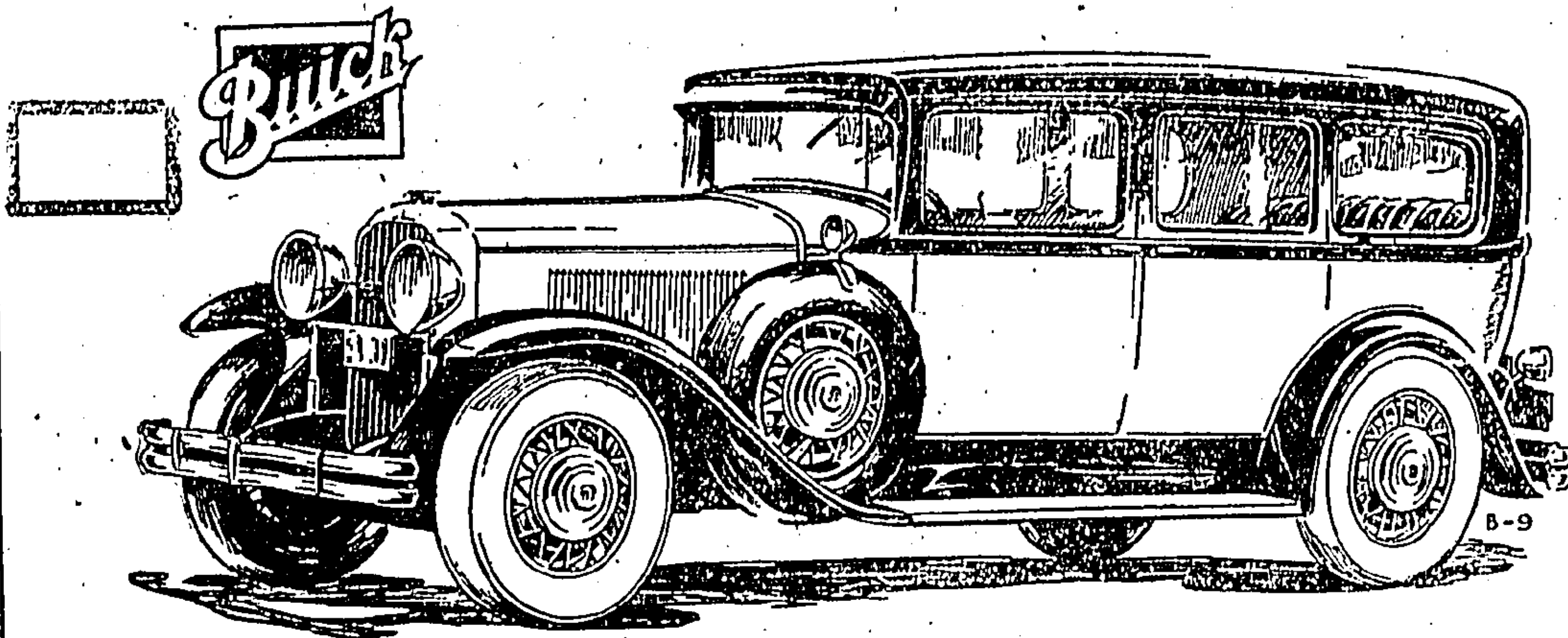
Another French car of low rating has adopted the Diesel heavy-oil using engine for its power unit. This car, Le Zebre, will be exhibited at the Paris Automobile Salon. There also will be the French edition of the Austin Seven—the Rosengart—to appear also as a small six-cylinder car of 1097 c.c. capacity, rated at 11 h.p., or 9 h.p. French rating.

Front wheel drives, independent wheel springing, and small Diesel-engined cars open up a new phase in motoring for 1932.

During warm weather it is wise to have the car battery checked at more frequent intervals. Oldsmobile service men advise. The water in the battery evaporates faster in the Summer than in the Winter and unless replenished frequently, the battery is in danger.

New South Wales, at any rate, the type has proved itself most suitable and efficient. During the last twelve months or so one make alone, the Triumph Super-Seven, has won 34 cups and trophies in open contests. Included in the trophies are the Challenge Shield for the 24 hours' Winter trial—the most strenuous in New South Wales and the Wakefield Trophy for 1930. The latter is offered annually for the highest aggregate score in ten trials organised by the R.A.C. of Australia, and it was won by the little British car in competition with foreigners of many times the size.

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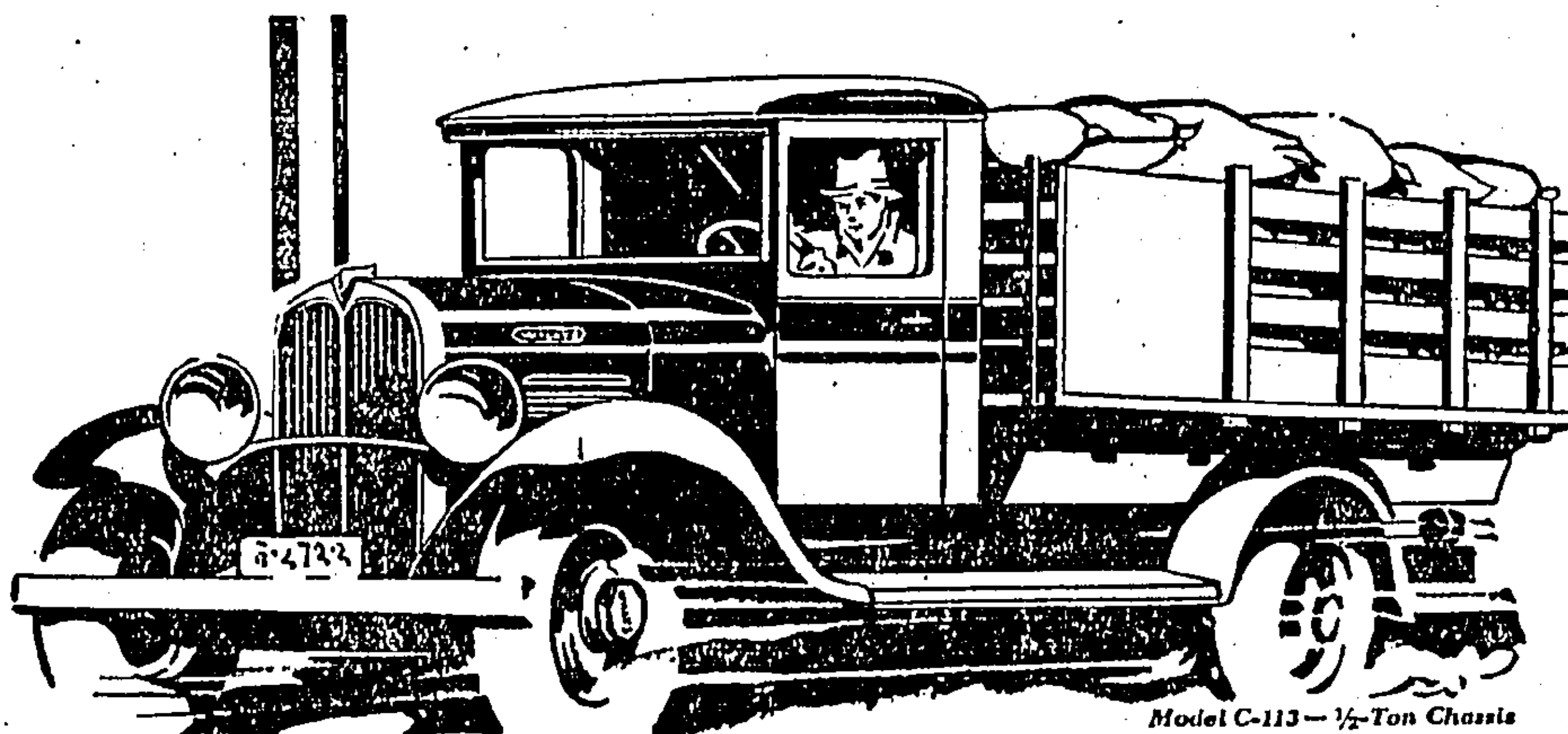
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Preventive Measures.

(By J. E. W.)

Another step in the prevention of troublesome outbreaks has been made by the Police Force, with the completion of the Emergency Unit van at the workshops of the Kowloon-Canton Railway, Hungghom, last week. The van has been designed and built by Mr. C. D. Lambert, Chief Mechanical Engineer of the K.C.R., to the requirements of the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, I.G.P.

The chassis is a Thornycroft "A6" six-cylinder type, 40/70 h.p. and is capable of a speed of 50 m.p.h. when fully loaded.

The body of the van is built of bullet proof steel and will be capable of carrying three units of men (24), or even more if necessary. The driver is protected by steel netting which covers the whole wind screen and the sides of the driving seat. The head lamps and radiator are also protected in a similar manner. There are three exits to the van—one from the driving seat, one in the side of the van and one at the rear. Lockers have been fitted for the storing of tools, steel waistcoats, shields, and a Thompson gun. At the rear of the van specially constructed racks carry eight Greener guns, while steel helmets are hung round the sides of the van.

A Look-Out.

At the rear of the driver's seat is a platform which is gained by three steps. Immediately above is an aperture in the roof of the van, constructed for a look-out. The aperture can be closed by a sliding portion of the roof and is protected by steel plates which fold down on to the roof and can be instantly erected by the look-out. Two searchlights are also fitted to the roof—one each side of the observation post, and swivel on a universal joint.

A button for the sounding of the siren is placed on the panel in front of the observer. The siren can also be sounded from the driver's seat.

When the van attends an urgent call both the siren and a bell, which is hung beside the driver, will be used. The siren serves another useful purpose, being used instead of verbal orders by the officer in charge, in controlling the squad.

Riot Batons.

Eight loop-holes, four on each side of the body of the van, have been constructed, each one fitted with a small hinged cover, while racks for stowing away riot batons, are fitted to the inside of the roof. Since completion, the vehicle has been subjected to severe tests, and has met with official approval. Even at high speed, it travels steadily, and can be safely taken round sharp corners at 15 m.p.h., when fully loaded. The total over all length is 25 feet, width 7 feet 2 inches, and 10 feet 6 inches from ground to highest point.

The Personnel.

The Emergency Unit was first formed on August 1, 1928, and until very recently served for both the Island and the mainland. The strength consisted, and still does, of five squads of eight men, three Indian squads, and two Chinese. Each squad is under an Oriental sergeant. The European personnel consists of Sergeant Hunt, who is in charge of the unit, and two European lance sergeants. The whole section is governed by Chief Inspector Peter Grant.

The duties of the unit are to attend any unusual disturbances and big fires, perform special duties, and carry out picket and search work.

TO BID OR TO DOUBLE?

(Continued from Page 14.)

Again, in the same evening, both sides vulnerable, North-South 40, East-West 40. West dealt and bid One No Trump. North Two Spades. East held:—
Spades x, x
Hearts K, 10, x, x
Diamonds Q, 9, x
Clubs A, K, J, x

What would you bid?
Again, West is known to be a sound original bidder. He must, therefore, have two and a half quick tricks and East has slightly more than two and a half South, therefore, can obviously have little or nothing and North is sandwiched between two strong hands.

As East 1 should choose the double every time at the score. It is free, and if West's hand does not fit he can always rebid. In actual play East bid Two No Trumps, West raised to Three, was doubled by North and went one down, North making four Spade

tricks and his ace.
Here are the four hands:—

North.
Spades K, Q, J, x, x
Hearts x, x
Diamonds A, J, x
Clubs x, x, x

East.
Spades A, 10, x
Hearts A, J, x, x
Diamonds K, 10, x
Clubs Q, 10, x

West.
Spades x, x
Hearts K, 10, x
Diamonds Q, 9, x, x
Clubs A, K, J, x

South.
Spades x, x, x
Hearts Q, 9, x, x
Diamonds x, x, x
Clubs x, x, x

Now North would have made no more tricks if he had played the hand in Spades, and, doubled, would have been 1,000 down. Again, the difference was 1,200 points, this time in favour of North-South. And again, who can criticise North's Two Spade bid at the score?

RADIO

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 855 metres:

10-11 a.m.—Relay of Service from St. Joseph's Church. Sermon: "Necessity of Baptism" by the Rev. Fr. D. McDonald, S.J.

11 a.m.—12.15 p.m.—Relay of Service from St. Paul's Church. 12.15-2 p.m.—Chinese Recorded Programme.

1 p.m.—Local Time.
8-10 p.m.—European Programme of Victor Records kindly supplied by Messrs. Tsang Fook Piano Co.
8 p.m.—Local Time & Weather Report.

8.05-9 p.m.—A Concert.

Orchestra—
Southern Rites (Strauss),
Wine, Women & Song (Strauss),
Chicago Symphony Orchestra
Conducted by Frederick Stock (6047).

Song—
Tristan Und Isolde (Wagner)—
Soldier's Love—Death,
Maria Jerina (Soprano)
(1963).

Violin Solo—
Impromptu (Popper),
Fond Recollections (Popper),
Phyllis Krauter (4186).

Song—
The Blind Ploughman
(Rachels-Clark),
Oh Could I But Express in Song
(Malashkin),
Fondler Chalmers (Bass)
(1965).

Piano Solo—
Nocturne A Raguze
(Ernest Schelling),
Ignace Jan Paderewski
(6700).

Vocal Duet—
My Mother's Prayer
(Venter-Western),
Softly & Tenderly (Thompson),
John Seagle and Leonard Stokes (22000).

Violin Solo—
Tambourin Chinois (Kreisler),
Thais—Meditation (Moussenet),
Fritz Kreisler (6844).

9-9.25 p.m.—
Tannhauser and Venusberg Music
(Wagner),
Played by Leopold Stokowski
and the Philadelphia
Orchestra (M78).

9.26-10 p.m.—
Trio in D Minor (Schumann Op. 63),
Played by Alfred Cortot,
Jacques Thibaud & Pablo Casals (M62).

1st Movt.—Allegro appassionato.
2nd Movt.—Allegro ma non troppo.
3rd Movt.—Andante espressivo.
4th Movt.—Con fuoco.
10.05 p.m.—Close Down.

EASTERN PORTS.

Details of Epidemic Diseases.

The health bulletin of Eastern ports for the week ended December 12, issued by the Director of Medical and Sanitary Services, gives the following cases:—

Plague.

Alexandria: 1 case.
Bagdad: 3 cases.

Cholera.

Calcutta: 22 cases, 15 deaths.

Small-pox.

Bagdad: 6 cases, 2 deaths.
Karachi: 1 case.
Madras: 3 cases, 1 death.
Negapatam: 1 case, 1 death.
Rangoon: 3 cases, 2 deaths.
Pondicherry: 2 cases.
Saigon: 9 cases, 6 deaths.
Amoy: 28 cases, 25 deaths.
Canton: 3 cases.
Shanghai: 23 cases, 7 deaths.

CHINESE & WESTERN MUSIC.

Rapid Strides Made in Last Decade.

WHERE THE TWAIN MEETS.

Music belongs to the domain of art, and art is said to be the flower of civilisation, and the ornament of life. Although the artistic instinct may be said to be innate in man, although the feeling for the beautiful is deeply implanted in his nature, still it does not come forth until the requirements of the body have been satisfied; for it is common knowledge that want gives the death-blow to art, which can only attain its full development when the mind is free from care.

Then And Now!

This is probably why the Chinese of a decade or two ago were not musically inclined, for, on looking back, one can remember the wonderment that arose when a Chinese boy or girl was heard chanting hymns in public. To-day it is a common occurrence to hear boys and girls of this nationality singing the latest song hits from the "Talkies."

Galaxy of Talents?

It is indeed marvellous how in this short space of time, the Chinese have cultivated taste for music. To-day in this Colony there are more Chinese boys and girls taking music lessons than all other nationalities combined. (As an indication of their liking for Western music—not of the classical type—it may be mentioned that no fewer than 9,000 music sheets of "The Love Parade" were sold in Hong Kong since the screening of that picture at the Central Theatre.)

There are about 2,000 girls and 1,300 boys of Chinese nationality in Hong Kong who are taking music lessons and learning to play all kinds of instruments.

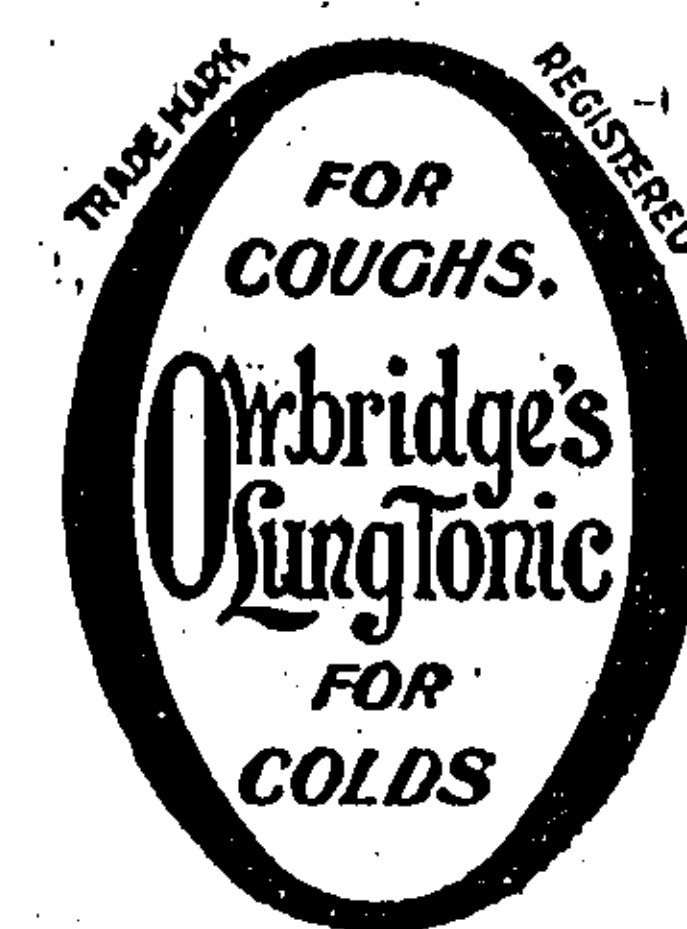
Now, to be serious, one may ask what is music and what charm it has? Music, to my analytical mind, and emotions of the soul by means is the art of expressing conditions of beautiful tones. Its works are not submitted to our contemplation through the sense of sight. In one sense it stands higher than poetry, and expresses feelings and yearnings to which no words can be given, and is a sort of universal speech of the heart.

The Humanising Effect.

Music played an important part among the Greeks, and their legislators recommended the practice of it as having a softening and humanising effect. It was placed under the protection of two Muses, and was said to have been invented by Epimetheus and Prometheus.

—THESPIAN.

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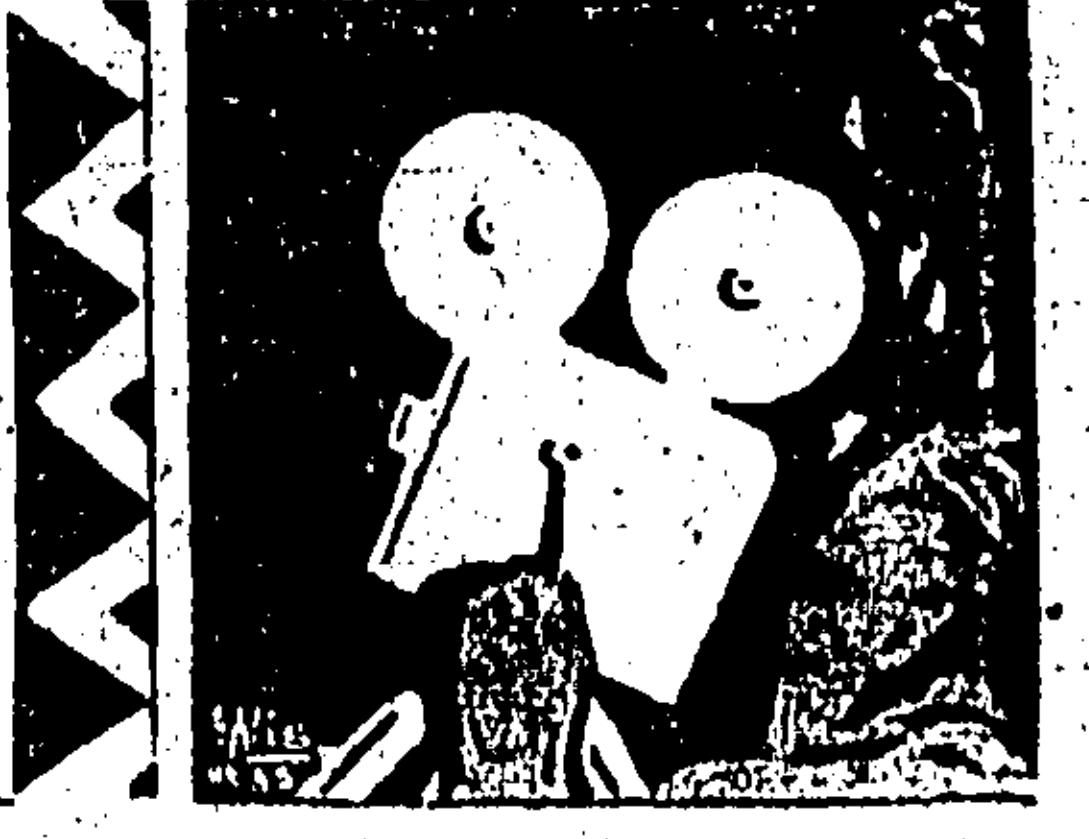
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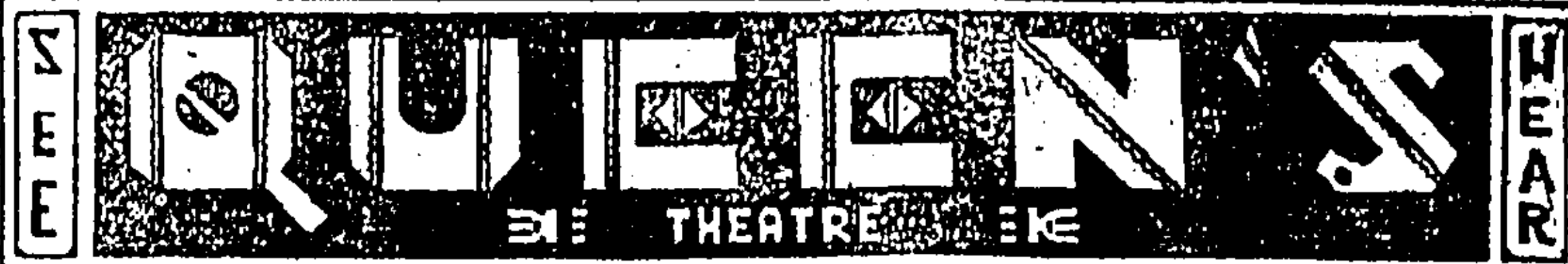


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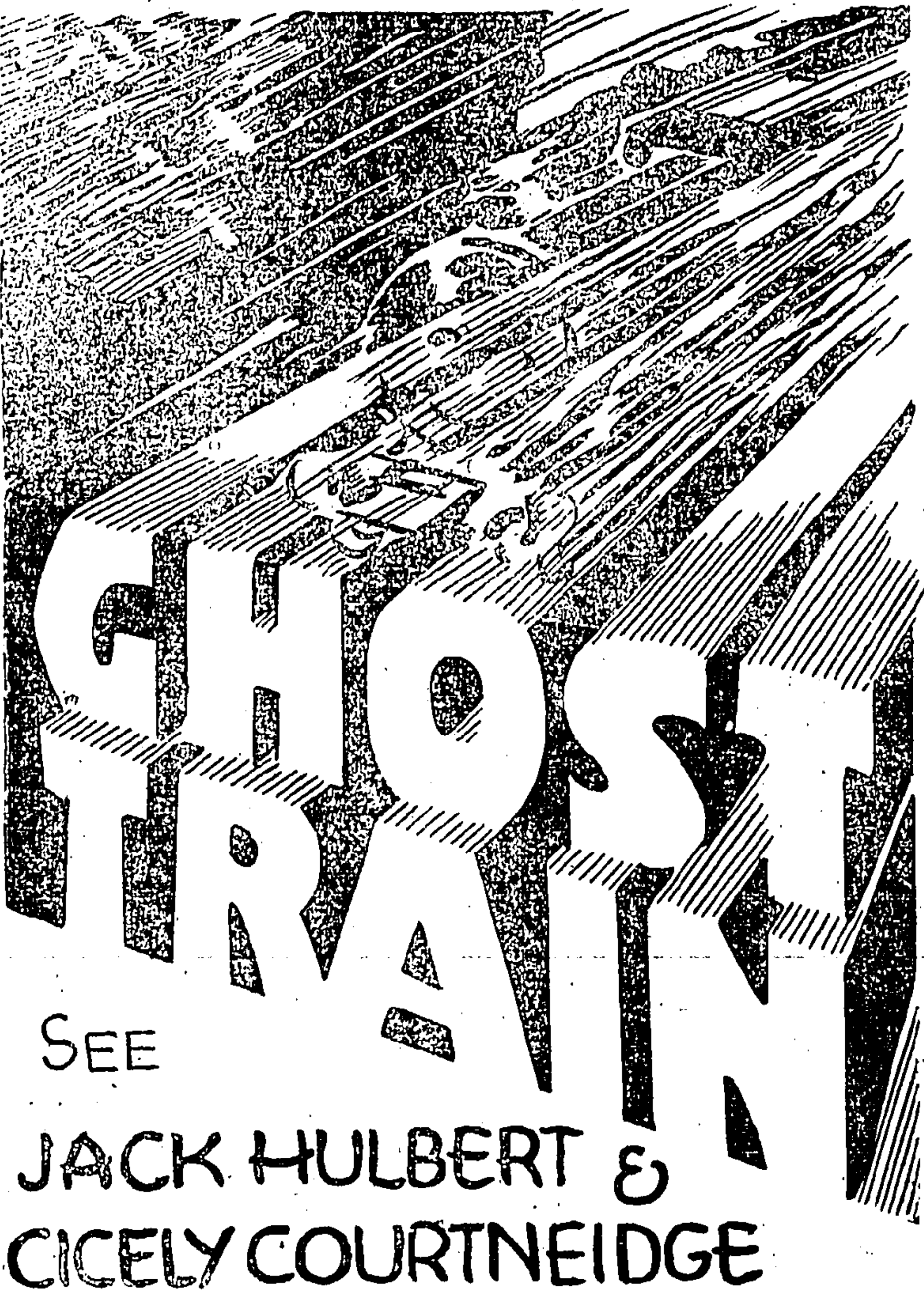
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BRITISH BEST AT THE QUEEN'S.

"The Ghost Train," by Arnold Ridley, tells of a "haunted" station. A junction on the Great Western main line, through which a train from nowhere to anywhere shrieked its way, never missing the anniversary of the night when a train plunged through an open bridge into the river below, drowning the driver and many of the passengers.

On the tenth anniversary a party of passengers were stranded at Fal Vale Station through the tomfoolery of one of the passengers. Their presence interfered with the plans of the stationmaster, and the Cornishman of dubious character did his best to harrow the feelings of the held-up passengers by narrating the fate "that years before befel the train, and doing his best to drive the unwanted people away. But Teddy Deakin, the chatterbox fellow with a sceptical mind, laughed him to scorn and resolved to wait.

The stationmaster, however, had succeeded in creating an atmosphere of gloomy despair and expectancy, and it required all the ingenuity of Teddy to hold his fellow-travellers in check when an unheralded, unscheduled train rushed through the station to the accompaniment of whistling wheels, rush of steam and clatter "as it tore along. What did it all mean? You must not miss the dramatic denouement in this thrilling film.

LAWRENCE TIBBETT SINGS DUET WITH HIMSELF.

Lawrence Tibbett sings a duet with himself in THE CUBAN LOVE SONG, his latest M-G-M talkie. In one sequence of the story the famous baritone plays a scene with a "ghost" or vision of himself in an earlier day. He and the ghost sing together.

Tibbett sang a song twice-once as first baritone, then again singing the second part. When the two records were played in synchronization, they made a perfect duet, with Tibbett as both baritone and tenor. So wide is the range of Tibbett's voice that he could also have sung a bass part, and, in fact, made it a quartet if he'd wanted to. Musicians say that aside from the M-G-M star very few singers could attempt such a feat.

Lupe Velez plays the heroine in the new picture. The rest of the cast includes Ernest Torrence, Jimmy Durante, and Karen Morley. W. S. Van Dyke is directing.

A TREAT for the KIDDIES

THE FEATURETTE "TOYLAND"

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"THE GHOST TRAIN"

STAN LAUREL PLAYS HIMSELF—BUT.

Stan Laurel found himself in the unique position of giving an imitation of himself the other day. The sad-faced little comedian was fishing from a barge. A pugy stranger, who had been fishing near him for some time, walked over to the barge keeper to get some bait. When he came back, he was chuckling.

"Say," he hailed the actor, "Can you imagine? That fellow" jerking a thumb toward the barge keeper—"thinks you're Laurel of that funny comedy team, 'Laurel and Hardy.' Keep it up, and we'll have a lot of fun!"

RACING HORSES REGISTER FIFTY MILES AN HOUR.

Fifty miles an hour is top speed for a racehorse. Many opinions have been expressed to the effect that a horse can't run that fast, while some authorities say a horse can run faster.

Now speedometers on camera cars have answered the question with cold figures.

In "Sporting Blood," M-G-M's drama of the turf which will open on Wednesday at the Queen's Theatre, camera cars on cement tracks paralleling a racetrack followed "Tommy Boy," Caliente winner, and other ho-faces in action.

In the sprints, the car traveled fifty miles an hour keeping up with the racers.

"Of course," explained Director Charles Brabin, "this speed was kept up only for a few seconds in the final spurt. But it surprised even expert horse handlers."

Clark Gable, Ernest Torrence, Madge Evans, Lew Cody, and Marie Prevost have featured roles in the production.

EVEN HORSES WEAR MAKE-UP.

Make-up for horses is one of the odd tricks that the ever resourceful moving picture technician had to devise for photographic purposes.

"Tommy Boy," famous race-horse who plays the central equine role in "Sporting Blood," was as carefully made up for his role as any star.

"Tommy" is jet black. And hence, when his face was photographed in close-ups, there was no detail. The make-up department carefully lined his eyes with white, just as actors are lined with black against a white face. The highlights in his nose were painted in, and other deft touches used so that his face was "photographic." It took an hour each morning to apply the make-up-one morning when "Tommy" was willing to stand still.

Norma Shearer is one star who clings to the customs and traditions of the silent days.

In every talking picture she has made, Miss Shearer retained the "sideline" musicians who always supplied inspirational backgrounds of melody in the making of her silent pictures.

The musicians are again on the job during the making of PRIVATE LIVES, her new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer starring vehicle, playing her favourite numbers between scenes.

Lawrence Tibbett, star of M-G-M's THE CUBAN LOVE SONG, had to sing on the deck of a ship in the picture.

"My song was so good," he jokingly told W. S. Van Dyke, the director, "that it made me seasick."

THE PRESS ARE ENTHUSIASTIC.

Daily Mail—The film is British and will be a record-breaking success.

Sunday Dispatch—"The Ghost Train" is good stuff.

The Leader—It is amazingly well done.

Film Daily—Top-notch British picture.

Sunday Times—Jack Hulbert makes a notable screen debut.

News of the World—A delightful comedy.

Sunday Referee—Excellent entertainment.

Empire News—More eerie than ever.

Bioscope—Brilliantly directed with gripping climax. One of the best British films.

Birmingham Daily Mail—A splendid production.

News-Chronicle—One of the most successful films made in a British studio.

Eva—The picture is all first class.

Evening Chronicle—A thrilling film.

Daily Mirror—A surprisingly good picture.

Sunday Express—"The Ghost Train" is expertly done.

"SPORTING BLOOD" DECIDED CHANGE FROM ORDINARY FILM FARE.

Thrills of the racetrack and the schemes and methods of crooked gamblers serve as a colourful background for a love story in "Sporting Blood," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's drama of racing life, which will come on Wednesday to the Queen's Theatre.

Based on the Saturday Evening Post story "Horseflesh," by Frederick Hazlitt Brennan, it was adapted to the screen by Charles Brabin, its director; Willard Mack, author of "Klek In," "Gang War," "Common Sin" and other plays, and Wanda Tuckock.

Though not a racetrack play in the usual sense of the word, it shows the entire racing business as a background for its central theme. Thrills of the Kentucky Derby, intimate glimpses behind the scenes in paddocks and in gambling halls are incidental to the love story

that runs through the play. Clark Gable and Madge Evans play the lovers, Ernest Torrence, Lew Cody, Marie Prevost, Harry Holman, Hallam Cooley, J. Farrell McDonald and others are in the cast.

The story deals with the career of a racehorse, passing from owner to owner, finally into the hands of a crooked race manipulator, then into the hands of a gambler's "moll" and her lover, a blackjack dealer. These in their efforts to rehabilitate the broken horse, find regeneration for themselves.

The dramatic highlights include the great Derby, the discovery by the girl that a crooked jockey has been placed on her horse, her frustration of the plot by cutting the animal's reins, the pathetic death of the famous racing mare, the heart-grIPPING sale of the colt, the dramatic "bumping off" of the gambling magnate, played by Lew Cody, and the vivid scene in the great gambling hall.

WEDNESDAY TO SATURDAY

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SPORTING BLOOD



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ARLEN.

Young Star Plays The Role Of Hero In Newest Paramount Film.

Richard Arlen, that rising young star of the Westerns, turns in another one of his admirable character portrayals at the Majestic Theatre where he will be seen in "The Conquering Horde."

This picture gives Arlen full opportunities to show his mettle as a man of iron as well as to show his fettle as a champion of fair ladies.

He is seen this time as a Yankee veteran of the Civil War, the year after peace was made between the North and the South. As a government agent of the Secret Service he is sent to his boyhood Texas to "get the goods" on a group of "carpet-baggers" who are cheating the people of Texas out of their land.

Here he meets Fay Wray, owner of the biggest herd of beef-cattle in the region. As children they were friends but there is now a strain between them due to Fay's bitterness over his association with the "enemy" during the war.

She accepts his services, however, as a paid guide to lead her livestock on the perilous trail from Texas across the Red River into Abilene, Kansas, and the trip is finally completed triumphantly after many thrilling and perilous adventures with Indians and the pursuing "carpet-baggers" who have been attempting to discourage this money-making venture.

The outcome of the long trek is disastrous to the "carpet-baggers," who had incurred the enmity of a tribe of Comanches through treachery, but the finale is a happy one for Arlen and Miss Wray—who promises at last that she will be his bride.

Miss Wray is, as always, a charming heroine in this vigorous outdoor classic. The supporting cast,

headed by Claude Gillingwater, includes Ian MacLaren, Charles Jones, George Mendoza, Arthur Stone and others.

"The Conquering Horde" is a splendid adaptation, by Grover Jones and William Slavens McNutt, of the famous best-seller, "North of 36," by Emerson Hough, writer of historical novels and the author of the story for "The Covered Wagon." Jones and McNutt have enhanced the vigorous tale of a spectacular, empire-building day by rich and sparkling dialogue.

"The Conquering Horde" has thrills by the flicker-foot and is generously supplied with highly amusing comedy. There is also a neat balance of romance. It is entertainment for all—young and old; men and women, girls and boys.

JOHN WAYNE'S RISE TO FAME READS LIKE FANTASTIC TALE.

Makes Good As Unknown In Lead Of "The Big Trail" Given Featured Role In Fox Movietone's "Girls Demand Excitement."

Occasionally, a story comes from the great movie studios out on the West Coast of the rise of a young player that parallels any of the stories of the "Arabian Nights." Such was the case of John Wayne, whose work caused so much favourable comment in Raoul Walsh's "Big Trail."

Now he comes to the Majestic Theatre Tuesday next in Fox Movietone's "Girls Demand Excitement," a story of collegiate life.

Wayne, which is the screen me given him by Director Raoul Walsh, was Wayne (Duke), Morrison, former University of Southern California athlete, star football player and honour student.

Not because he had any particular desire for the motion picture

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW



THE CONQUERING HORDE

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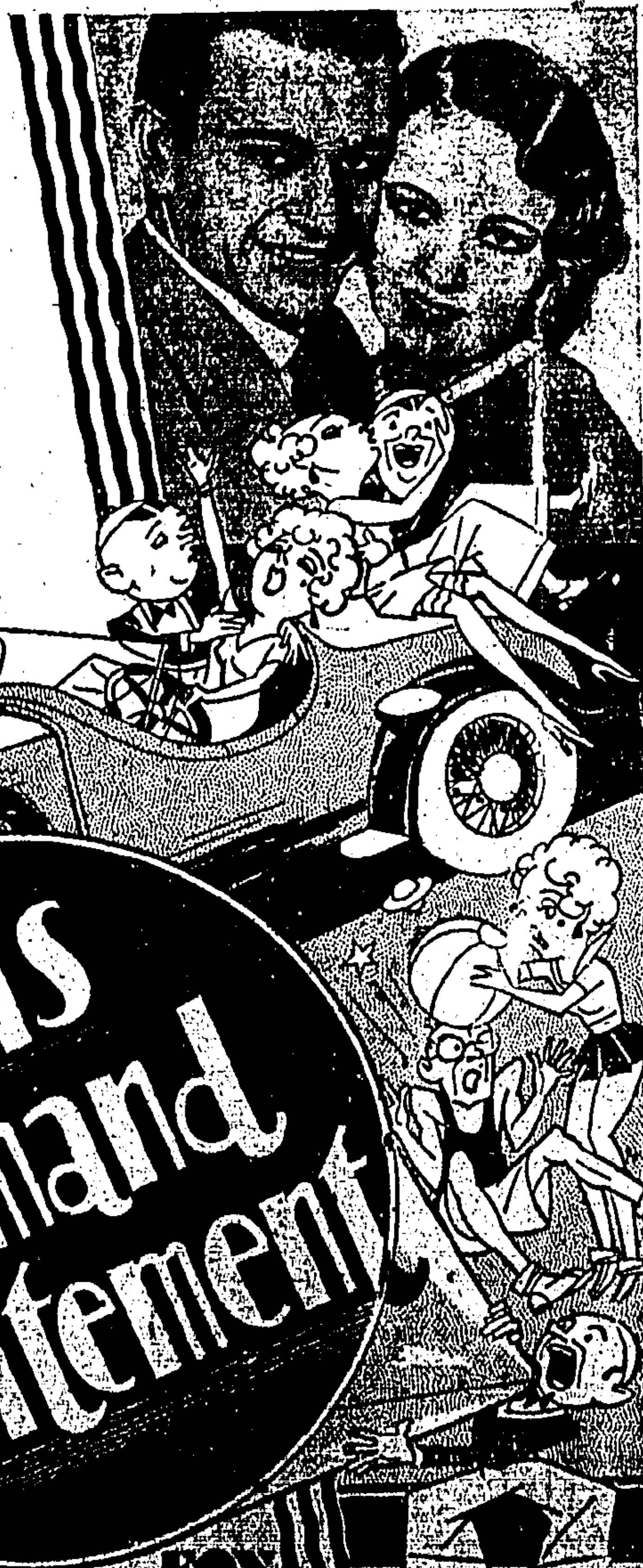
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Girls Demand Excitement



"COHENS & KELLYS IN AFRICA" COMING, WITH SIDNEY AND MURRAY.

Famous Comedy Star Team In Latest And Greatest Of The Series Will Open At The Majestic Theatre On Thursday Next; Laughfest Filled With Thrills.

"The Cohens and Kellys in Africa," Universal's newest feature length comedy in which Charlie Murray and George Sidney run rampant in scenes which abound in thrills as well as laughs will open at the Majestic Theatre, Thursday next.

According to advance reports, "The Cohens and Kellys in Africa," exceeds anything before attempted by the inimitable quartet of funsters, Sidney and Murray and their respective screen wives, Vera Gordon and Kate Price. Acknowledged as exceedingly funny in the previous pictures of the "Cohens and Kellys" series in which they took trips to Atlantic City, Paris, and Scotland, their tour of Africa with amazing adventures is reported a superior attainment.

The story deals with the Cohen-Kelly expedition into the heart of the Dark Continent to hunt ivory to boost their needy business fortunes. The expedition is led by a talkative but amateur explorer, Windjammer Thorn, who represents himself as one of the world's greatest authorities on Africa. Needless to say, Mrs. Cohen and Mrs. Kelly accompany their husbands and become involved in many of the escapades to which the party falls heir.

The principal characters have an excellent supporting cast which includes Lloyd Whitlock, Frank Davis, Nick Cogley, Eddie Kane, Renee Marvella and George Rhodes and several hundred African natives of both human and animal species.

The screen story was written by Yln Moore and adapted by William K. Wells. Moore also directed the picture.

One of the many truly beautiful scenes in "The Cohens and Kellys in Africa" is the accurate reproduction of an Arabian sheik's harem.

Universal spent a young fortune in constructing these sets. The largest setting is built on huge proportions with a fountain in the centre. Twenty beautiful girls impersonate the wives of the sheik.

Featured in the harem scenes is an artistic dance number staged by Ma-Belle, formerly a New York stage dance star. Besides directing the ensemble, Ma-Belle gives an Arabian harem dance interpretation of her own.

THURSDAY TO SATURDAY

The Funniest Of Them All!

The Cohens and Kellys was a riot of fun.
The Cohens and Kellys in Paris was one big roar.
The Cohens and Kellys in Atlantic City was a scream.
The Cohens and Kellys in Scotland was a cyclone of laughs.
BUT, Oh, Boy! Wait till you see these babies in Africa!



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KATE PRICE
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Based on O. Henry's classic story,
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 ginian" himself, as the "Llano Kid."
 Fay Wray as Consuela.
 There's a big all-outdoors thrill for
 you in

THE TEXAN

A Paramount Picture

A price on his head! A girl in his heart! A gun in his hand!
 "The Virginian" again in a great outdoors romance!

REAL AFRICA REVEALED IN SOUND
 THRILLER AT CENTRAL.

Real Africa is a hundred times
 more thrilling, colourful and
 glamorous than it has ever been de-
 picted on the stage and screen. This
 fact was demonstrated in "Africa
 Speaks," which is showing at the
 Central Theatre. The film, released
 by Columbia Pictures, is an authen-
 tic motion picture and sound record
 of a trip taken across the dark con-
 tinent by Paul L. Hoeller, represent-
 ing the Colorado-African Expedi-
 tion, and offers a riotous blending
 of gorgeous scenery, picturesque
 savages, tribal dances and thrilling
 escapades with wild beasts. These
 actual scenes of the jungle surpass
 in vivid beauty anything that has
 ever been shown.

Highlights of the production are:
 the devastating effect of a vast army
 of locusts that all but denuded Tan-
 ganyika of plant life; intimate
 glimpses of the pygmies of the
 Ituri Forest, a race of tiny people
 whose dancing and singing would
 put to shame many a New York
 musical comedy; a magnificent view
 of Ripon Falls, the source of the
 Victoria Nile; thrilling pictures of
 the fierce Nandi spearmen in hand-
 to-hand conflict with ferocious lions
 and an intimate view of the spec-
 tacular Emir of Dikwa, a savage
 ruler, who is as colourful in his at-

tire and mode of living as one of
 the heroes of the Arabian Nights.
 All the world's wonders of the
 African wilds are revealed by the
 motion picture camera and the
 microphone. Life on the dark con-
 tinent is shown as it is lived by the
 black savages and the wild jungle
 beasts.

It's all there—fact that is strang-
 er than fiction and many times
 more entertaining. The photo-
 graphic work is excellent and the
 entertainment value of the
 film is enhanced greatly by the
 sound effects. How some of these
 were obtained would make thrilling
 stories in themselves. Hoeller and
 his party deserve much credit for
 their courageous venture and
 Columbia Pictures is to be con-
 gratulated on its splendid presenta-
 tion of the film. Here is a magni-
 ficent spell-binding reproduction in
 sound and motion pictures of a
 daring trek through the French
 Congo. A motion picture that's
 better entertainment than a circus
 because it is all authentic—you see
 the animals and savages in their
 natural habitat. Splendid screen
 entertainment.

talkies, plays another of her re-
 noowned "mother" roles, "The
 Texan" is adapted from O. Henry's
 "Double-Dyed Deceiver."

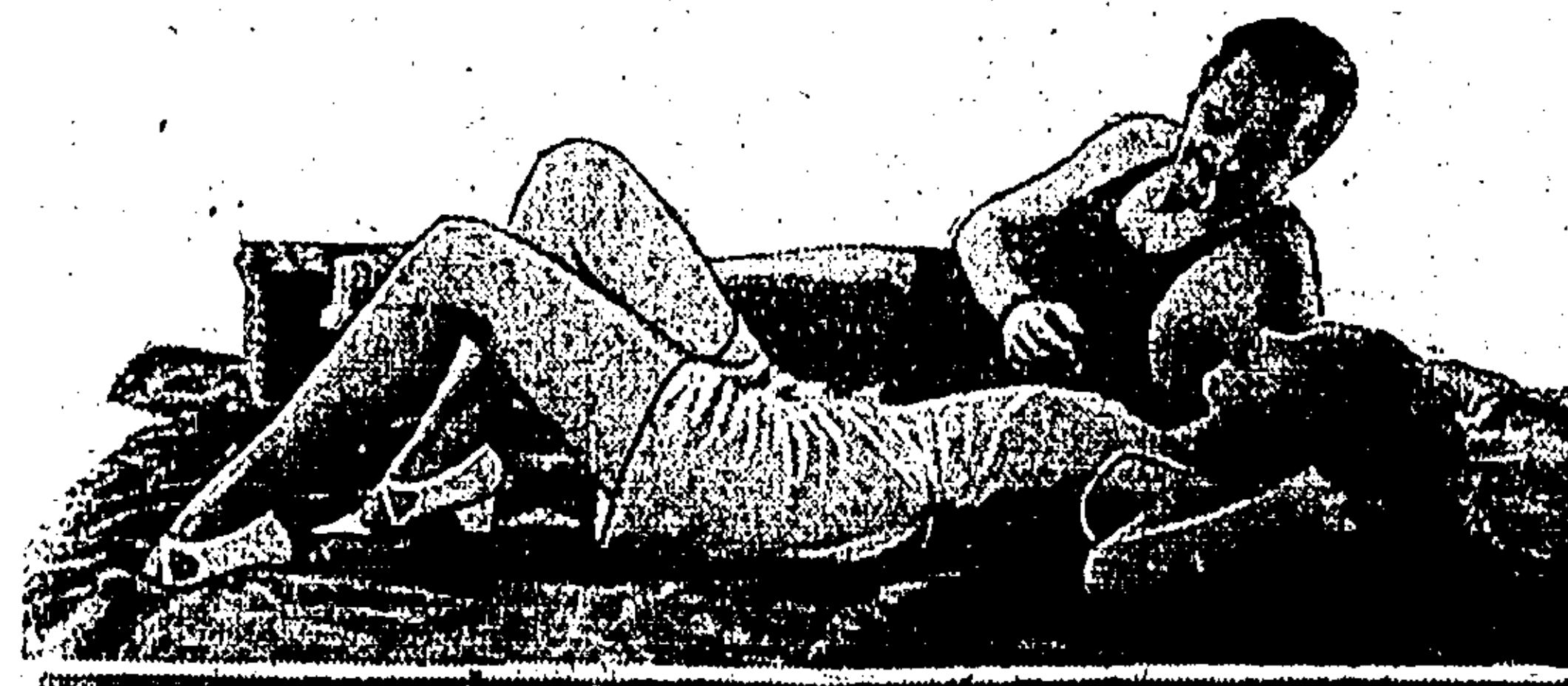
FIFTEEN YEARS FILM DIRECTOR;
 ACTING AGAIN.

Talking motion pictures have re-
 turned Oscar Apfel, one of Para-
 mount's earliest directors, to the
 acting ranks. Since 1910, Apfel has
 been making moving pictures from
 behind the megaphone, but now he
 is in front of the camera again,
 after more than fifteen years behind
 the screen. His first acting for
 Paramount was in "Half Way to
 Heaven," and in "The Texan,"
 which will be the next attraction at
 the Central Theatre. He has an
 important part in support of Gary
 Cooper.

When Jesse L. Lasky, now pro-
 duction head for Paramount, began
 his film career, Apfel served as aid
 to Cecil B. DeMille in Lasky's first
 picture, "The Squaw Man." That
 was in 1914. He directed Lasky's
 next, "Browder's Millions," and
 then pursued his directing career
 with phenomenal success. He con-
 tinued to direct for a number of
 companies until 1923, when the ad-
 vent of talking pictures caused him
 to return to the acting ranks, in
 which he had been in early life.

In "The Texan," Apfel plays one
 of the four major roles. Cooper
 has the title role; Fay Wray will be
 seen in the feminine lead, and
 Emma Dunn, well-known stage
 actress recently won over by the
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 columns).

COMING SHORTLY!

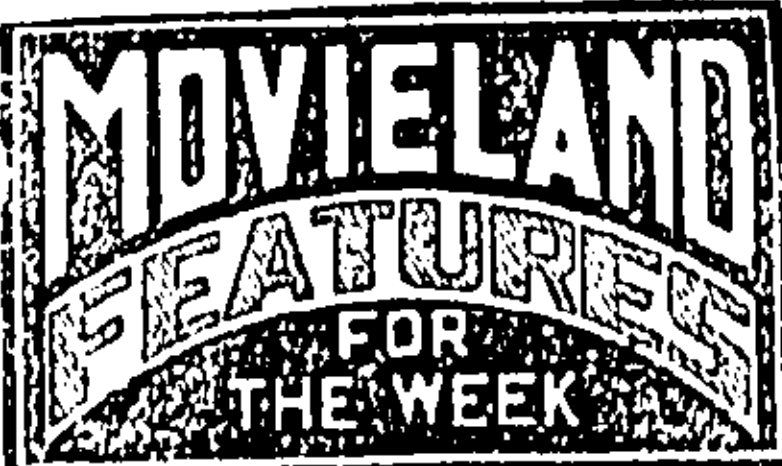


Fay Wray and Jack Holt in "DIRIGIBLE"—A COLUMBIA PICTURE



AMUSEMENTS

OF HONGKONG



STAR THEATRE.

Daily at 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

To-day and To-morrow:—Fannie Brice in United Artists' all-talking singing production "Be Yourself."

Tuesday and Wednesday:—Gloria Swanson in her talking epic "The Trespasser" heralded by word critics as the greatest drama of the moment.

Thursday to Saturday:—Ramon Novarro's greatest triumph, "Call of the Flesh," a golden melody of songs! With a supporting cast including Dorothy Jordan, Renee Adoree, Nance O'Neil and Ernest Torrence.

OFF SCREEN CLOTHES.

Most everyone is acquainted with their favourite motion picture actresses as they look in "reel" life. They see them dressed in the studio costumes which were made to harmonize with the role they are playing.

However, there are few who know the film players "as they are." This privilege belongs to those who come in contact with them as they go to and from their homes—and while they travel around the studio grounds on their way to their dressing rooms.

A glimpse of them as they dress in real life is revealed by the camera which caught them at their leisure moments.

Anita Page usually wears pastel colours and fluffy clothes. One pose of her shows her in a simple little silk frock with white hat and grey fox fur. Her slippers match the salmon shade of her dress. Janet Currie and Marjorie King, two newly-signed Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer players, prefer the freedom of trousers for everyday wear—Janets being of long length, combined with striped sweater, and Marjorie's showing a short, above-the-knee length.

Astrid Alwyn, another Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer newcomer, looks like a school girl in her printed linen frock with black hat.

Jackie Cooper, who is working at the race track at Agua Caliente, with Wallace Berry in M-G-M's "THE CHAMP," new romance of sporting life, made friends personally with every racehorse in the paddock—to say nothing of "Pedro," the big bulldog who is mascot there. Jackie wanted to buy all the horses—but parental opposition stopped that.

FANNIE BRICE SINGS, DANCES, AND CUTS UP IN NEWEST VEHICLE "BE YOURSELF."

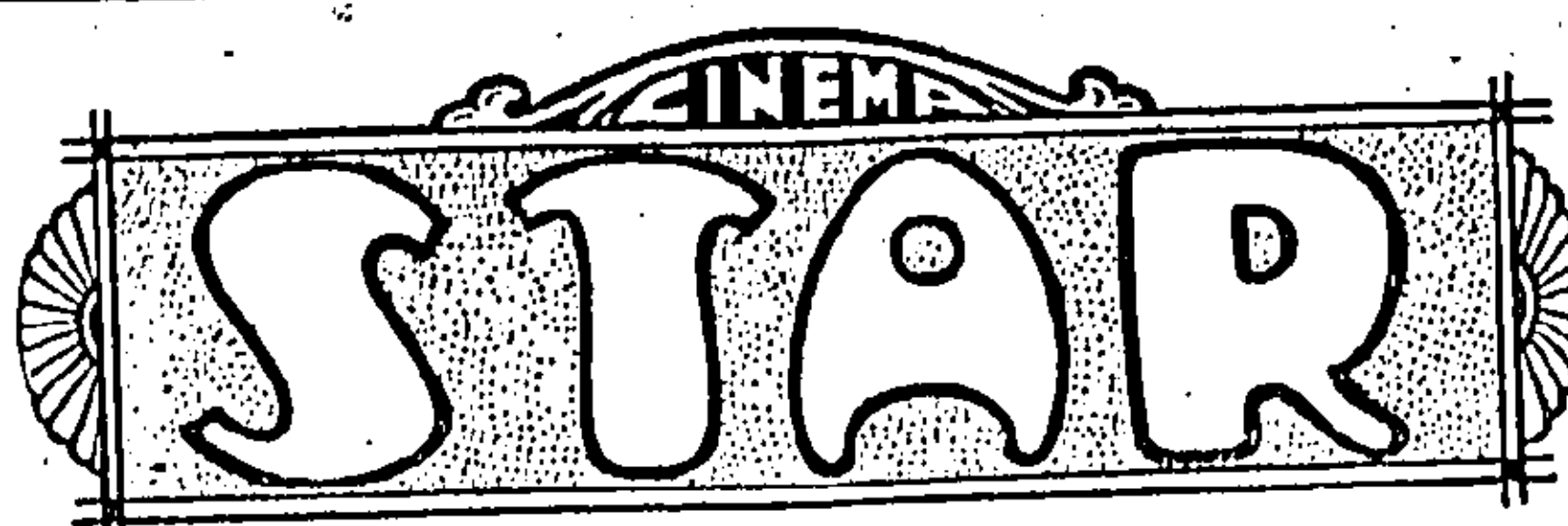
Fannie Brice, the former David Belasco star and Ziegfeld follies headliner, is a butterfly, a "box-fighter," a fight trainer and a heroine in her first all-talking and singing picture for United Artists "Be Yourself" which is to be shown at the Star Theatre to-day and to-morrow. Played by an all-star cast including Robert Armstrong, known for his Broadway ring battles in "Is Zat So?" and Harry Green, the comic star of "Clown Harmony" and "The Kibitzer," the film tells the story of a rib-tickling night club entertainer who lost her heart to a prize-fighter and sang him ballads till an interloper tried to blight their love.

Joseph Jackson, screen story writer, framed his tale of flying fists, night clubs and heart-throbs, especially with Fannie Brice in mind. The scenario has Miss Brice singing four songs written by her husband, Billy Rose, the noted song writer, and doing eccentric dances on the plan of those which made her a headliner in the Follies.

Thornton Freeland, director of "Three Live Ghosts" handled the megaphone for this picture and according to advance reports has turned out an excellent piece of work. Freeland assisted Roland West in directing "Alibi," rated by the leading critics as one of the ten best pictures of the year. His work on this production led to his elevation to a full directorship. This thirty year old film pilot has been making films for the last thirteen years.

Filmed in the elaborate settings designed by William Cameron Menzies, art director for "Bulldog Drummond" and "Puttin' on the Ritz," "Be Yourself" opens in the modernistic interior of a New York night club. Fannie, the star entertainer, is seated with a down-and-out white hope, Jerry Moore, she has befriended. They are discussing his plans for a comeback, when McCloskey, the heavyweight champion also present, asks Fannie to come to his table. A misunderstanding leads to a quarrel and Jerry is taken out unconscious. Fannie gets an idea. She tells Jerry she'll help him train to make a bid for the championship. In his last fight Jerry is on the verge of laying down as is his custom when the struggle becomes too hot. Only Fannie's deriding remarks spur him on. Through a lucky punch he becomes champion.

When he forgets Fannie for the ex-champion's sweetheart, the night club queen takes drastic steps to bring him to his senses. How she turns the tables on him and makes him realize his mistake brings the picture to a whirlwind finish judging from the surprise and thrills to be found in the script.



THURSDAY TO SATURDAY

A NEW NOVARRO!

—he does his finest singing and acting in a passionate romance



RAMON NOVARRO

reaches the heights of talking picture entertainment in
Call of the Flesh

DOROTHY JORDAN, RENEE ADOREE, NANCE O'NEIL, ERNEST TORRENCE
METRO-GOLDWYN-MAYER

TO-DAY & TO-MORROW

The romance of a night club comedienne who fell in love with a second rate fighter.
Zippy! Upstairs!



JOSEPH M. SCHENCK
FANNIE BRICE

"BE YOURSELF!"

ROBERT ARMSTRONG & HARRY GREEN

DIRECTED BY THORNTON FREELAND

UNITED ARTISTS PICTURE

Hear Broadway's comedy songstress sing "When a Woman Loves a Man" and "Cooking Breakfast for the One I Love." She's a sensation as a talking, dancing, singing star.

ALL TALKING-SINGING

DRAMA AND COMEDY BLEND "CALL OF THE FLESH."

"A singer cannot be great until his heart has been broken."

This oft-repeated formula for operatic fame is the basis of one of the most poignant romances Ramon Novarro has ever given the screen, in "Call of the Flesh," which opens on Thursday at the Star Theatre.

The new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture is the drama of a youth who pays for operatic fame with his heart, whose sacrifice on the altar of public adulation leads to tragedy, and whose realization that love is stronger than fame proves his "Open Sesame" to happiness.

Directed by Charles Brabin, who gave the screen "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," the story is laid in Seville and Madrid. Novarro sings opera arias in the opera scenes, and catchy popular numbers in the other scenes; he and Renee Adoree do a Spanish dance together—and finally he and Dorothy Jordan figure in a dramatic situation breath-taking in its magnitude. Novarro starts the roles as a light-hearted youth, and ends it with one of the greatest dramatic characterizations the screen has seen in many a year.

Dorothy Jordan is delightful as the little convent girl whose love he wins, and Renee Adoree plays the fiery Lola, Spanish dancer. Ernest Torrence provides clever character work as the singer's aged tutor, once an opera star himself, to whom operatic triumph is a religion. Incidentally, Torrence and Mathilde Comont, playing another old opera singer, provide some extremely funny comical touches in the plot. Nance O'Neil is a compelling figure as the Mother Superior and Russell Hopton is convincing as the heroine's brother.

GLORIA SWANSON'S VOICE DEBUT HERALDED IN "THE TRESPASSER."

Gloria Swanson's voice, object of greater anticipation among motion picture fans than any other voice in filmdom, is heard for the first time in "The Trespasser," her latest United Artists picture.

Miss Swanson both sings and talks in this new picture.

Her spoken lines are the more effective because "The Trespasser" is a play of modern life constructed to meet the requirements of the new screen medium, rather than a story designed for a silent picture, into which dialogue has been injected. Her singing likewise is expected to be more highly appreciated, because the two songs she offers interpret the mood of the story and sustain its tempo, instead of disrupting its trend of thought.

In addition to serving as the medium of her vocal debut, "The Trespasser" presents Miss Swanson once again as a woman of fashion, with a wardrobe of gowns, wraps and negligees which are ultra modern in every detail.

"The Trespasser," which will be the attraction at the Star Theatre the next change is a drama of the moment. Its setting is Chicago, its environment the "smart set." And through its intimate study of a girl who becomes a trespasser in this restricted social sphere and in the lives of its people, the story delves into vital affairs of life.

Miss Swanson, in her portrayal of "Marion Donnell," is supported by established players of both stage and screen. The leading man is Robert Ames, who has been extremely popular on Broadway. He portrays "Jack Merrick" whose romance with "Marion Donnell" indelibly stamps her as "The Trespasser."

Purnell Pratt who has appeared on the talking screen in "Alibi," plays "Hector Ferguson," wealthy corporation lawyer and the "other man" in Marion Donnell's involved scheme of things. Henry B. Walthall, one of the screen's earliest figures, has a strong character role.

Wally Albright, three and a half years old, who appears as "Marion Donnell's" son, is regarded as one of the most promising of all the child actors in dialogue pictures. Blanche Friderici, who appeared so successfully with Miss Swanson in "Sadie Thompson" again plays in her support. And other assisting players are William Holden,

Norma Shearer and Robert Montgomery had to brush up on their French for their roles in PRIVATE LIVES which Sidney Franklin is directing for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer. Many of the scenes demand lengthy passages of dialogue in the French tongue.

EDMUND GOULDING TO DIRECT "GRAND HOTEL."

Edmund Goulding, playwright and film director, has received from Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer the most-talked-of directorial assignment of the year.

Goulding, responsible for THE TRESPASSER, THE DEVIL'S HOLIDAY and other successes, will make GRAND HOTEL.

GRAND HOTEL is the Vicki Baum play which has been a sensation on the Broadway stage for the past two seasons and for many months has topped the list of "best-selling" novels. At the present time Goulding is having the advantage of counsel with the author, Miss Baum who is now in Hollywood. Hans Kraly, distinguished German scenarist, is preparing the talking picture continuity.

"I have made no definite selections for my cast as yet," stated Goulding. "That, of course, will be a hard job, as 'GRAND HOTEL' depends terrifically on vital, individual characterizations."

Buster Keaton, Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's frozen faced comedian, looks glummer than ever these days. He had to have a tooth pulled. "And after all the laughs I've gotten out of dentist's chairs on the screen, I couldn't get a snicker when I got into one in earnest," laments Buster. "Maybe that's retribution."

M-G-M FASHION NEWS.

An Attractive All Black Costume.

The sterner sex may be attracted to the girls who wear flaming colours but the girl who wears all-black can be sure that she will capture just as much attention—that is providing her costume is carefully chosen.

An all-black costume can easily fall into the dowdy class if the wearer isn't careful in her selection of materials and styles. As there is no definite colour to catch the eye, it is necessary that the costume be chic but simple.

Kathryn Crawford, the feminine lead in Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's FLYING HIGH, shows an example of careful selection of material and style in the black evening gown she wears.

The softly clinging georgette lends itself ideally to the style chosen, which reveals a body slenderness with gracefully full flounce and fluttering cap sleeves. Miss Crawford's white shoulders are accentuated by the drop neckline which is held in place by narrow shoulder straps.

The only trimming shown on the gown is a jewelled pin clipped to the front of the neckline with a matching bracelet.

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY



Joseph P. Kennedy presents

Gloria

ALL TALKING

Swanson in **The TRESPASSER**

—Edmund Goulding Production



A pinch of humor, seasoned with a radiant smile is Janet Gaynor's recipe for happiness in her new Fox romance, "Daddy Long Legs."

JANET GAYNOR'S FILM.
"Daddy Long Legs" Promises
Mixture Of Smiles And Tears.

"Once upon a time," as the children's books phrase it, a little Chicago girl named Janet Gaynor hurried through her school work in the morning in order to get the afternoon off and attend the theatre.

Accompanied by her mother, she went downtown and with wide eyes watched Ruth Chatterton and Henry Miller in a tender and wistful play—one that made a deep impression on her youthful mind. The play was "Daddy Long Legs," and on the way home little Janet decided that some day she, too, would be an actress and make people laugh and cry.

But never did she dream that she would appear on the silver sheet in the very role that first captured her childhood imagination—that of "Judy" in "Daddy Long Legs."

Her mother smiled tolerantly at Janet's ambition. It would be years before her daughter could seriously consider an acting career. And in those years Miss Gaynor moving from Chicago to Florida and from Florida to California, seemed to have forgotten her early inclination and to have become more interested in business life.

Her stepfather, however, remembered her juvenile tendencies and eventually he persuaded her to go to Hollywood and see what sort of a future might lie in wait for her on the screen.

It was only six and a half years ago that she reached the film capital and bravely started out to the studio casting offices. The name Janet Gaynor, then meant nothing—but a haunting wistfulness in her face soon won her an extra role—then, another—then a "bit," then a succession of small parts—then a few comedy and Western leads and finally featured parts in such films as "The Johnstown Flood," "The Shamrock Handicap," "The Midnight Kiss" and "The Return of Peter Grimm."

Then came a triumph, such as few actresses ever had—the sensational role of "Diane" in the memorable "7th Heaven," which lifted her overnight to world-wide fame. Janet Gaynor had arrived.

Her progress from then on is known to everyone—"Street Angel," "4 Devils," "Sunrise," "Sunny Side Up," "The Man Who Came Back," just to mention a few of the high points.

Warner Baxter, famous for his romantic portrayals of dashing desperadoes in "In Old Arizona" and "The Arizona Kid," and his restrained, poised, characterization of the domestically harassed physician in "Doctors' Wives," is co-starred with Miss Gaynor. It is the first time they have ever appeared together in a picture.

Una Merkel, John Arledge, Claude Gillingwater, Sr., and Kathryn Williams head the supporting cast, which was selected only after scrupulous consideration of a host of aspirants. Alfred Santell directed.



Daily at 2.30, 5.10, 7.15 & 9.30 p.m.

To-day to Wednesday.—Janet Gaynor and Warner Baxter in sparkling Fox romantic comedy, "Daddy Long Legs," with Una Merkel and John Arledge.

Thursday to Saturday.—Charles Ruggles in his first starring picture for Paramount, "The Girl Habit," with Tamara Geva and Sue Conroy.

KING'S THEATRE

SHOWING TO-DAY

Two brilliant stars
in a heavenly romance
that will live in your
heart forever.

From the play by
Jean Webster

Directed by
Alfred Santell



DADDY LONG LEGS

JANET GAYNOR
WARNER BAXTER
Una Merkel



NEXT ATTRACTION

CHARLIE
RUGGLES

"The
Girl
Habit"

A Paramount Picture



As sweet as her face is Janet Gaynor's smile in her new Fox romantic comedy, "Daddy Long Legs."

WARNER BAXTER, FOX STAR
WHO PLAYS TITLE ROLE IN
"DADDY LONG LEGS."

He can play any sort of role from a border bandit to a suave medical man, from a reckless adventurer in the Foreign Legion to a Basque sportsman or a cautious German financier, and do them all equally well.

In all Hollywood, there is but a handful of actors who can be cast in any kind of role with full assurance on the part of producer and director that they will give a smooth and convincing performance. And of that handful, Warner Baxter, the distinguished star of the dark flashing eyes and wavy hair, who plays the title role, opposite the delightful Janet Gaynor in the new Fox romance, "Daddy Long Legs," which is showing at the King's Theatre, is without question the most outstanding.

Versatility is Baxter's most notable characteristic. Other players, perhaps, can give equally good portrayals in roles for which they themselves are especially suited, but none of them can handle such an unusual variety of parts with such ease and realism.

Rarely does Baxter resort to the artifices of trick make-up such as the late Lon Chaney relied upon for his grotesque effects. Only in the Fox production, "Such Men are Dangerous," where the story demanded that he first appear as the puffy, bearded German banker in order that a plastic surgeon might transform him into a fashion-plate did he consent to disguise himself artificially.

The secret of his success is internal rather than external. Suitable costuming and the psychological effect of correct backgrounds all help to some extent, but a rare facility in adapting his mental outlook to that of the character he is playing, accounts chiefly for this chameleon-like quality he possesses in a high degree.

The English ne'er-do-well of "The Squaw Man," the desperate French officer of "Renegades," the glamorous bandit of "In Old Arizona" and "The Arizona Kid" and the polished physician of "Doctors' Wives," all offer a startling contrast in roles, yet it is difficult to say which of these portrayals was Baxter's best.

Many critics who have followed the eminent star's career closely and who have already seen "Daddy Long Legs," claim that his role of the wealthy and lonely benefactor of Miss Gaynor, who portrays "Judy," the orphaned waif, far exceeds anything he has done to date.

These same critics say that never before has Janet Gaynor been cast in such a suitable role, in fact some say Jean Webster, the author, must have been thinking of dainty Janet, when she wrote the original story, years ago.

"Daddy Long Legs" was not unfamiliar to either Baxter or Miss Gaynor, when they started to film the wistful romance. Miss Gaynor saw the original stage play, when she was a mere child, and it was the character of "Judy," the same role she now Warner Baxter portrays, that first turned her eyes and mind toward the stage and screen. As for Baxter, he played the title role in dramatic stock long before he ever thought of entering the movies.

FROM SCRIBE TO FIANCE, OR,
RUGGLES MAKES GOOD.

The exceptionally fine work which Charlie Ruggles has done in a number of Paramount pictures has earned him the enviable rank of star with that company. His first starring production is "The Girl Habit."

In "The Girl Habit" Ruggles is presented as the wealthy young bachelor who is engaged to a pretty society girl. The hilarity of the show lies in the number of excruciatingly funny situations which come about when Charlie is caught in many escapades with other women—women who do not seem to be able to let him alone.

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Price 50 cents.

40 CARS IN CRASH

Motor Lorry's
Disastrous Skid.

COLLISION AFTER COLLISION.

Roads Near London Resemble
Ice Rinks.

(Reuter's Special Service.)
London, Yesterday.
One of the idiosyncrasies of the Briton is that he frets if Christmas passes without snow-laden house tops or good white frost.
He is unlikely to fret on this occasion for nearly the whole of Britain is in the grip of a severe frost and fog, which has stopped flying, delayed trains, and impeded all traffic.

Amazing Story.

One of the main roads north-west of London has become like an ice rink.

Eye-witnesses tell an amazing story of forty cars crashing one upon the other. All had been travelling homeward to tail, all periodically bumping one into the other like train shunting.

Then, the leading lorry skidded in trying to avoid motor cyclists, and collision followed collision.

Hardly one of the cars survived the impacts, and nearly all were stranded on the roadside.

The passengers are awaiting belated trains in overcrowded stations, where they organised games such as leap frog in order to keep warm.

"LAST NIGHT."

Miss Hook of
Holland.

PRODUCER'S SPEECH.

There was a full house at the Theatre Royal last night when the Hong Kong Philharmonic Society gave the final performance of their successful Dutch musical play "Miss Hook of Holland." All the players excelled themselves to make the final performance "go over big" and in this they succeeded, and last night will linger long in the memory of those who attended.

After the performance scores of beautiful bouquets and flower baskets, besides many packets of trinkets and candy were handed up for various ladies of the cast, while some of the men also received gifts from their admirers, but whether they were of the opposite sex our reporter was unable to ascertain.

There were enthusiastic calls by the audience for the producer and no sooner had Mr. W. Robertson stepped on the stage than there were cries of "Speech!"

In a few well-chosen words, Mr. Robertson thanked Hong Kong's theatre-goers for the splendid reception which had been accorded to "Miss Hook of Holland." He referred to criticism when announcement was first made of the choice of this piece, but he judged from the way it had been received during the past week that the decision had not been a bad one after all.

Mr. Robertson thanked the musical director, Mr. J. L. Gocka, A.R.C.M., for the part he had played in making the show a success, remarking that in a musical play everything depended on the musical direction. He also thanked Mrs. C. Scott-Smith (pianist) and the musicians, all the members of the cast, the chorus, and last, but not least, all those who had worked behind the scenes. It was team work on the part of one and all that had enabled them to succeed.

It must be mentioned that Mr. Hook received a bottle of "Scotch" from one of his admirers, several of the men received candy sticks, long ones with curved handles, and Captain Paap received a huge paper kite inscribed "I'll fly my kite. Aye, Oh Yeah!"

After the show the company of players and helpers sat to supper at Lane, Crawford's Restaurant, and a very enjoyable party it was.

RUBBER CONTROL.

London, Yesterday.

There is no truth in the report that it is officially considered, that the Anglo-Dutch rubber negotiations, now proceeding at the Hague, are not very likely to end in a decision being reached.—Reuter.

RESULTS OF HOME FOOTBALL LEAGUE MATCHES

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

First Division.		Second Division.	
Aston Villa	1 Blackburn	Bradford	2 Plymouth
Bolton	2 Everton	Burnley	1 Millwall
Chelsea	2 Birmingham	1 Charlton	4 Barnsley
Grimsby	0 West Brom.	0 Chesterfield	4 Port Vale
Huddersfield	5 Blackpool	0 Manchester U.	0 Bristol C.
Leicester	1 Portsmouth	1 Notts Forest	0 Bury
Liverpool	1 Derby	1 Preston N.E.	5 Bradford C.
Middlesbrough	2 Arsenal	5 Southampton	2 Leeds
Newcastle	5 Sheffield U.	3 Stoke	0 Swansea
Wednesday	1 Manchester C.	1 Tottenham	3 Oldham
West Ham	2 Sunderland	2 Wolves	0 Notts County

The match between Leicester and Portsmouth was abandoned, with the score at 1-1.

The match between Charlton and Barnsley was abandoned with the score standing at 4-2.

Third Division (South).		Third Division (North).	
Bournemouth	1 Brentford	3 Accrington	1 Hull
Brighton	3 Luton	2 Carlisle	4 Chester
Bristol R.	2 Fulham	2 Crewe	6 Hartlepool
Clapton O.	2 Reading	2 Doncaster	3 Darlington
Crystal Pal.	3 Exeter	1 Rotherham	2 N. Brighton
1 Mansfield	3 Gillingham	1 Southport	2 Halifax T.
Norwich	2 Cardiff	0 Stockport C.	2 Barrow
Queen's P.R.	6 Thames	1 Tranmere R.	4 Gateshead
Swindon	3 Northampton	1 Wrexham	1 Lincoln C.
Torquay	2 Southend	0 York City	2 Walsall
Watford	2 Coventry		

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.	
First Division.	
Airdrie	0 Kilmarnock
Ayr	2 Falkirk
Celtic	6 Leith
Cowdenbeath	3 Aberdeen
Dundee	4 Rangers
Hearts	5 Dundee U.
Motherwell	4 Queen's Park
Partick	1 Morton
St. Mirren	3 Clyde
Third Lanark	4 Hamilton

SALVATION ARMY.

Looking After the
Criminals.

WORLD-WIDE WORK.

Manchester.

General Higgins, head of the Salvation Army, when on a special visit to Manchester in order to speak to the Rotary Club, took as his subject "The Social Service of the Army."

It began, he said, about forty years ago, and although it was only a part of the whole mission of the Army, 5,000 officers were entirely employed in social enterprises.

One of the Army's chief tasks was to look after the criminal classes. Of all the people they tried to help these were the most difficult. The great task of the Army was to bridge the gulf which existed between the criminal and society, to persuade society to trust the criminal, and the criminal to work out his salvation in society.

In the United States and the colonies the Army had free access to all prisons, and was able to influence the inmates during their terms of imprisonment. In India their work was of an extraordinary character. Criminals were in a caste to themselves, and a child born of criminal parents became a member of that caste automatically.

Twenty years ago the Army agreed to help in dealing with these people. The various authorities agreed to supply institutions and settlements and to meet all expenses. When the first batches of prisoners arrived an equal number of police came with them, and it was some time before the officers of the Army could persuade the police to go away. Since that time they had handled hundreds of thousands of criminals in India.

At the present time over ten thousand men and women were being cared for in the Indian settlements. In hundreds of cases they were taught how to earn an honest livelihood, and had to free themselves from the taint of criminality.

A recent development of their work, continued the General, had been an investigation, with the full knowledge of the French Government, into the conditions on Devil's Island. The report which the officers brought back was past description. They had asked for permission to try to remedy many evils which the Government acknowledged to exist, and he hoped that before long the first batch of officers would leave for the island. The great problem was that of the released prisoners, who were not allowed to leave the island, and were often more wretched than if they were still behind the prison walls.

In Nigeria and the Gold Coast, said the General, the Governments had asked the Army to take over the care of all juvenile cases; the Army had accepted the Government's offer to provide suitable buildings and were left entirely alone in their work of reformation. A great success could already be claimed for this work.

KRUPP SILVER WEDDING.

Herr and Frau Krupp von
Bohlen und Halbach, owners of
the famous Krupp Works, to cele-
brate their silver wedding anni-
versary, have presented one mil-
lion marks to the old-age pension
fund of their employees.

FRENCH DEPUTIES

EXCHANGE BLOWS.

Ushers Interfere — And
Get Cuffs for Pains.

GENERAL BOXING MATCH.

(Reuter's Special Service.)
Paris, Yesterday.

There have been fistfights in the Chamber of Deputies. During a debate on unemployment the Deputy for Limoges and the Socialist Deputy for Paris had a lively altercation in connection with employment in a shoe factory in Limoges.

The Limoges Deputy is said to have flung an insult at the Paris member as he left the Chamber.

The First Round.

The Socialist thereupon threw himself at his political adversary, supported by his fellow-Socialists, and the ushers had difficulty in separating the combatants. But this was only the first round.

In the lobby, at the conclusion of the sitting, another Socialist member gave the Limoges Deputy a direct "right," and a general boxing match ensued, in which feet were also brought into play.

The ushers, on intervening, received cuffs for their pains. More Socialists reinforced their man, and the air became thick with insults.

The melee was about to become general when one of the high officials of the Chamber arrived and restored order.

FLIGHTS OF BIRDS.

Some Speed Figures
Recorded.

WILD DUCKS SLOW.

New York.

How fast do birds fly is a question which has engaged attention through the ages, and is still not solved, so, in order to obtain more accurate information, Lieutenant R. W. Wicks, an American airman, has carried out a series of experiments by chasing birds in an aeroplane.

This he did on the theory that a driven bird will travel at its maximum speed.

On four occasions a flock of geese was pursued, and, by reading the air speed indicator of the plane when nearly level with the birds, fairly accurate estimates were obtained. The results were respectively 56, 53, 55, and 52 miles an hour.

Wild ducks proved to be much slower, the highest speed registered being 46 miles an hour.

Teal was one of the fastest birds, travelling nearly 75 miles an hour when frightened.

Grouse proved to be most difficult and elusive to chase, but five attempts gave them a top speed of 55 to 58 miles an hour.—Central News.

The Rev. J. W. Woodhouse, the Rural Dean of Luton, was walking in Warden Park when he saw a baby and perambulator floating towards the middle of the lake. He immediately plunged in, fully dressed and brought the perambulator and its occupant safely to the bank. The baby had been in the charge of a small cousin and it is believed that the perambulator had run down the slope into the lake.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, Last Night.
At Dublin, the Springboks defeated Ireland by 8 points to 3.

FLOOD MENACE.

Perak and Pahang
Rivers Rising.

43 FEET ABOVE NORMAL.

Singapore, Yesterday.
Rivers 43 feet above normal and rapidly rising are causing a serious flood menace in Perak and Pahang. In the Federated Malay States, and many towns and villages are submerged.

A relief train was unable to reach a community of 150 persons who are isolated near Kuala Lipis.

Another train has been despatched with native boats, with which it is hoped to revictual and rescue the survivors.

The Pahang River is rising at the rate of one foot an hour.

Huge quantities of rice have been destroyed.—Reuter.

FINE TO CLOUDY.

The Royal Observatory's
weather report last evening
stated:

The anti-cyclone remains
stationary to the N.N.E. of
Peking.

Local forecast:—Northerly
winds, moderate; fine to
cloudy.

GERMAN PROTEST.

Britain's Friendly
Reply.

ONLY TEMPORARY.

Rugby, Yesterday.

The British Government in a friendly note to the German Government has discouraged the suggestion of negotiations at the present moment upon customs duties imposed under the Abnormal Importations Act on the grounds that the measures are of a temporary nature pending examination of Britain's tariff policy.

The German Ambassador, yesterday, called at the Foreign Office leaving a memorandum pointing out the effects of these duties customs on German exports to Britain.—British Wireless Service.

THE BAD SAMARITAN.

Mr. Carl J. Baker of Pomona
was trapped under his overturned
lorry. A man walked up and asked,
"Can't you get out?"

"No," replied Baker, "I've
sprained my back."

"You are really sure you can't
get out?" persisted the stranger.

"You bet I'm sure," retorted the
trapped man angrily.

"O.K. then," said the stranger as
he removed Baker's note-case, help-
ed himself to \$19, and strolled on.

LEAGUE TRIBUTE TO INDIAN KNIGHT.

A sitting of the Permanent
Central Opium Board of the
League of Nations was suspended
for several hours in honour
of Sir Basanta Mukherjee, the Indian
member of the Board, who died
recently at his London house in
Kensington.

TURNING LEAD INTO GOLD.

Alchemists' Dreams
May Come True.

CONQUERING THE ATOM.

Marchese Marconi, speaking at the first International Physics Congress, prophesied that the day would come when the dreams of alchemists would come true, and lead would be transmuted into gold. He added that the discovery would not bring about a boom, but would rather tend to another crisis in the gold standard, foreign exchanges and currencies.

Fifty of the most eminent scientists of the world were present.

Marconi recalled the famous experiments of Professor Rutherford at Cambridge of the Danish scientist Bohr and of Professor Millikan, and said:

"All the results which modern scientists have achieved take us back to the oldest positive conception of the unity of matter which was the fundamental principle of the alchemists of the Middle Ages. The Fortress of The Atom."

"The importance of these discoveries cannot yet be valued. Many are asking the possibility of utilising, some day, the nucleus of energy. We cannot yet either affirm or deny that the attack made by man on the fortress of the atom, after centuries of unsuccessful attempts, is to be successful or not, but we are now obtaining a surprising and encouraging result."

"The external defences of the fortress have crumbled. We believe we know now how they are constructed, although the nucleus of the atom still remains a partial mystery. Many believe that the nucleus contains an enormous wealth of energy which, in the future, it will be possible to use on behalf of humanity."

"The conquering of the atom is the greatest goal on which the efforts of scientists throughout the world must converge."

HEIR TO \$250,000 DIES A DUSTMAN.

He Thought He Was "Wanted"

By The Law.

A negro dust-cart driver, who
has died at Ranger (Texas), has
been identified as one of the heirs
to an old estate valued at more
than \$250,000.

Under the alias of "Bill Davis,"
the negro worked as a rubbish
hauler for ten years. Before his
death he told neighbours who he
was and they notified relatives.

Officers and relatives from Okla-
homa came to Ranger and confirmed
the identification.

The negro was the son
of a farmer who owned land
in the Carter oil pool area.
A reward of \$2,500 had
been offered for information
leading to his whereabouts, but
the negro had concealed his identity
in the belief that he was
"wanted" by the law in connection
with trouble over mortgaged prop-
erty.

SYNTHETIC QUININE CLAIM.

Synthetic quinine has been pro-
duced by Professor Rabe, of the
State Chemical Institute in Ham-
burg, after long years of research,
it is claimed.

Manufacturing costs are, how-
ever, still too high, and must be
reduced before the synthetic
quinine can compete successfully
with the present product.

TALK ON CHINA.

Missionary Tells of
Experiences.

LADIES RESCUED FROM BANDITS.

London.

The Rev. G. Findlay Andrew, in
a lecture given at the Religious
Institute, Manchester, said that in
the "two terrific years" 1929 and
1930 at a conservative estimate
8,000,000 of the people died from
famine, pestilence, and the sword
in the northern province of Kansu.

Mr. Andrew, a worker for the
China Inland Mission, acted as
director of famine relief under
the auspices of the China Inter-
national Relief Commissioners, and
so obtained first-hand information.

What happened in the province
of Kansu, he explained, was only
typical of what had happened
throughout most of the North of
China. "Wherever there was
famine there was bound to be
famine fever, or typhus, and a
sustained period of acute food
shortage always resulted in
violence and bloodshed."

The lecturer had an interesting
story to tell of the recovery from
imprisonment by bandits of Mrs.
Hayward, an American missionary,
and Miss E. Gomeral, who belongs
to Yorkshire, two ladies on the
staff of the China Inland Mission.
He and his party were returning
from the Kansu province by way
of the Yellow River floating down
on rafts made of inflated sheep-
skins, when they heard of the kid-
napping of those two ladies. He
was commissioned to go with an
officer of the British army and an
officer of the American army to try
to secure their release.

The ladies had managed to
escape to the Mongols, who were
holding them against the attacks of
a large body of brigands. He con-
tributed to win the sympathy of cer-
tain erstwhile banditti in the
locality, organised an expedition,
got through the lines of the attack-
ing brigands, and brought the
ladies safely to Peking.

Speaking of the hazards of earth-
quakes, Mr. Andrew said that on
September 16, 1920, the most
tremendous shock ever recorded
seismologically killed about 1,000,
000 people in ten minutes. Vil-
lages were buried under 700 feet of
earth. The relief party which he
accompanied excavated bodies from
a depth of 250 feet.

As to floods, a territory measur-
ing 700 miles by 50 miles was in-
undated by the Yangtze River,
and it was estimated that some
50,000,000 people had been render-
ed destitute by floods in the coun-
try since the middle of last July.

TELEPHONE COMFORT.

The home telephone, unless it
is to lag far behind the average
office instrument in comfort and
convenience, should always be
equipped with a good pencil,
firmly tied to it, and a small
writing pad also suitably secur-
ed. The telephone itself should
be placed at a convenient height,
with a chair or stool beside it if
possible. The directory should be
in evidence close at hand.

If these details are attended to,
important messages may be
taken down without delay and
long calls are dealt with in com-
fort.

DISASTERS LAND—SEA

Passenger Runs Into
Freight Train.

2 KILLED, 30 INJURED.

Two Channel Steamers
in Collision.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Two were killed and about
thirty injured in a railway col-
lision, which occurred in dense
fog late last night at Dagenham,
Essex, when the 9.20 p.m. pas-
senger train from Fenchurch
Street, London, to Tilbury ran
into the rear part of a freight
train between Barkin and
Dagenham Dock Stations. The
engine and four passenger
coaches were badly damaged, and
four trucks were also derailed.
One passenger and the Guard of
the freight train were killed.
Rescue work was rapidly organ-
ised but hampered by fog.

Steamer Holed in Channel.

Dungeness and Hythe lifeboats
replied to a call for assistance
this morning when the steamers
"Sea Glory" and "Rondo" were in
collision in a heavy fog. It is
believed the "Rondo" suffered
only slight damage, and the "Sea
Glory," which was holed, was
able to proceed to Dover with
the lifeboat in attendance.—Brit-
ish Wireless Service.

THE DUTIES.

Welcomed by Business
People.

NEWSPAPER COMMENTS.

Rugby, Yesterday.

Newspapers state industrial and
commercial opinion has welcomed
the new anti-dumping duties that
came into force to-day.

The Times says it is considered
that the greatest benefit of the new
imports will be felt ultimately by
cotton and woollen mills, clothing
and hosiery factories, manufacturers
of wireless valves and electric lamps
and fittings, but the stimulus to
home industries will not be serious-
ly felt until the present accumula-
tion of foreign goods of these
classes have been cleared.

The Daily Telegraph says the
fifty per cent. duty imposed is ad-
ditional to and not inclusive of a 7
percent duty to which any goods
liable before the issue of the order.
There are some imports which have
been subject to a key industry duty
of thirty-three and one-third per-
cent, glass bottles and jars and
wireless valves being cases in point.
The import will be one hundred per
cent, where fifty per cent. ad-
valorem duty was previously en-
forced. Cameras and their parts
now become liable to duties
equivalent to their value.—British
Wireless Service.

SLANDER KILLED!

Messenger Boys No
Longer Loiter & Whistle

START A FLYING CLUB.

(Reuter's Special Service.)

London, Yesterday.
Private Flying Clubs are al-
ready thriving throughout Brit-
tain, such as the Bus Driver's
Flying Club and the Bank
Clerk's Club.

The latest to be founded is the
Messenger Boys' Flying Club,
which is likely to rebut for ever
the slander that messenger boys
only loiter and whistle.

In uniforms, each decorated
with a pair of silver wings, they
are likely to move quicker than
any of their detractors, and their
whistle will not be heard.

Forty boys of the Commercial
Cable Company will receive their
"baptism of the air" at Croydon
aerodrome on Sunday, after which
some of them will have free tui-
tion.

Our whole trading position in
the world depends on the world's
belief in the stability of British
currency and in the soundness of
British finance.—Sir John Simon.

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